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THE UNEMPLOYED.

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Movements of the Unemployed—Relief Obtained.

There was a noticeable falling off in the number of those who have been in the habit of congregating in front of the City Hall as the Unemployed, yesterday. There were a few standing around in groups, but not more than may often be seen on days when no general cry for work or bread is heard. The intention of those who are recognized by themselves as their leaders, is that there shall be no more idle meetings, thinly for the purpose of listening to inflammatory speeches, or because they have nothing else to do. The Committee appointed to look to their interests are busy doing what they can for the amelioration of their condition. The Committee consists of

R. Carman, R. Roche, W. Burns,
A. Barnes, F. Dunn, Pierce Barnet, Secretary.

They commenced on Wednesday in obtaining the names of those whose families are thoroughly destitute, and at 11 o'clock yesterday the Chairman presented them to the Mayor, who, in his turn, will present them to the Superintendent of Out-Door Poor, who will see that they are not allowed to starve. Acting in the authority of the Mayor the Committee will continue the work of gathering the names of those who are really in want, and each day the lists obtained will be presented to him, and by him to the Superintendent of the Out-door Poor. When there shall be work the names thus gathered will be taken out of those most needing employment, and they will be then transferred from the Poor list to the Work roll. In this way it is hoped most efficient aid will be afforded, and suffering, as far as possible, prevented.

The Committee already have a list of over seven hundred persons who are in want, and it is increasing every day, but they have not yet had time to examine as to whether they are all cases deserving relief. As soon as known they will be reported as above stated.

As soon as the Chairman of the Committee of the Unemployed presented the list to the Mayor yesterday morning he sent a policeman with it to the Superintendent, with the request that they should be relieved immediately. The Commissioners of the Central Park have decided to employ one thousand men as soon as the books can be negotiated, and a fair prospect of obtaining money to pay them secured. That, with the other works that will soon be commenced, will probably furnish employment to a majority of those who are the most destitute. The improvements to be made in Hamilton-square will follow soon, when employment will be afforded to many more, which, with the street improvements and other works contemplated, will doubtless make the number of needy much smaller for some weeks to come than has generally been supposed.

In addition to the above, there are many benevolent persons who have something to spare who are privately organizing themselves into associations for relief, in various parts of the City, and these will make it their business to seek out and relieve as many cases of real suffering as they can find, or that their means will allow of. To-day the Governors of the Alms-House are to meet with a Special Committee of the Board of Aldermen, for the purpose of devising means by which the hungry, who are not able to work or who cannot obtain employment, may be relieved—so that the prospect for the destitute is not so bad as many of them seem to suppose.

At Tompkins-square.

An incoherent assemblage of working people, with a very considerable admixture of "boys," met yesterday morning in Tompkins-square. The man looks, Hibernian manner, and slouging gait of many of the poor fellows betokened too clearly their distress and their hopelessness. There were others, however, who exhibited a strong tendency to boisterousness, and of these the "boys" formed the largest contingent. No effort was made to effect an organized meeting, or secure an explicit expression of united views or opinions. The men hung lazily around in groups, discussing their condition and their prospects, cursing the City authorities, and arguing the advisibility of revolutionaries-ism. Violence was very generally deprecated, and the newspapers which had stated that the bread seized from the baker's carrier had been kicked about the Park yesterday, were roundly abused as having misrepresented the facts. Sentiments in these colloquies were characterized by a shrewdness of observation and rude eloquence of expression which, under other circumstances, would have been amusing. The action of Maguire and Burns, and the other members of the "Workingmen's Committee," was very freely canvassed, and their motives as freely questioned. "Fwhat asses they must take us to be," said a pale-looking man, with a crownless hat and a thick brogue "Shure an don't they get three dollars a day for bein' us. There's that Maguire, he don't want my money. He keeps a rum store beyant there, between Avenue A and Avenue B, and he's up for Counsellman."

"Arrah, to be shure, boys, that's it," said another. "Let us go over and boord him for drinks all round."

"Och, by my troth," says a third, "yes wont find him out of bed this hour yet. He was up most of the night drinkin' the money the Mayor gave him."

"Well," says a stout-looking fellow, "the sooner we get shut of sich humbugs the better for us. Let us get up Ward societies; let the poor men elect their officers and their spokers from among themselves, for faith, it's the poor man who can speak best now, because he feels the most. Then, let a day be named for all meetin' at one place and marchin' down to the City Hall. Let us show them, boys, jest how many of us there is, and what we could do if provoked."

"Ah, but," replies a sharp-looking fellow, what could a crowd like that do forninst the militia?"

"Militia be d—d," says the other fellow; "some of them are as bad as any of us. I could show you half a dozen of them here who have got no breakfast yet. I know one that was called on by his captin yesterday and asked why he was not on parade; 'faith, for the best of raisons in the world' said he, 'because I had no dinner, and you wouldn't expect a man to travel far on an empty stomach.'"

"Then let me tell yees, frinds," said a little man in an old coat, the tail of which was under his heels, "as Mayor Woon is the poor man's frind, let us go over and take dinner with him."

"Yes," shouts several in chorus, "let us go and dine in Second-avenue, with Mayor Woon; we're all voters, any how, an' he can't well refuse."

"Bothersheen," mutters a ragged looking fellow, "goes I have the journey for your pains and divel take the thing else."

"Well, suppose we go an' dine with Sams. They say he's to be up for Assembly soon," was another proposal, which was immediately laughed down as the height of absurdity.

"Och, och," said a wrinkled looking old man, "it's politics and polyteeshans has been the ruination of yees! Why don't yees look out for yourselves instead of hunting after polyteeshans? Don't yees know yo'll never get anything but fair words from them?"

Such was the general tendency of these rambling conversations—distrust of politicians, disparagement of Mayor Woon, contempt for the "Committee," and vague declamation about what ought to be done.

One man proposed, half-seriously half-jocosely, that they should divide themselves into companies of ten each, procure a horse and cart for the use of each company, and take one barrale of flour from every store in the City. This was hooted down as both unjustifiable and impracticable.

A great many Germans were on the ground, gathered in groups by themselves, and talking over the matter with vehement gesticulation and great expenditure of breath. One of them ridiculed the idea of talking to "berple about de flour stores, mit all dat money; de only thing vot we vanted vaste street de work."

A very heated contest arose between two Irishmen about England and America. "Now, look at England, there," said one; "she was sank in debt during the Crimean war; everything was ruined; she could not stand another year; the people were going to rise in rebellion against the enormous taxation; then the war in India broke out; there was no hope for the English at all, and yet—pop—this great country, with the freedom on its liberty, an its stars and stripes, and red, white and blue, an all that kaddendum, has to get specie from England now, and is in fact, in her debt."

He opponent took up the cause of America man fully, attributed most of the present difficulties to the want of a judicious protective system, and contended that if England were sending specie to this country for a twelvemonth at the present rate, she would not return half of what the United States had given her.

At about 10½ o'clock, Mrs. Runze, the Gallic lady, who is so passionately addicted to universal philanthropy, made her appearance on the ground, and, was surrounded, dectator, by a dense crowd, which while it remained immovable in the centre, was subject to an unceasing fluctuation in its circumference, caused by the continual importunities of new-comers, and the continual expatriation of those who could not approach near enough to hear her. Indeed, she was inaudible save to the few by whom she was immediately surrounded. She entered into a very animated conversation with a rugged looking specimen beside her, to whom she detailed some of the stupendous projects she had in view for the immediate and effective relief of the suffering classes. One of these was to build a hotel and a church, each gigantic structures, and the latter, by its profile, to sustain the former—on the ground, probably, that religion ought to be the basis of every great undertaking. She expressed the deepest sympathy for the cause of the unemployed, admitted that they must have work or bread, and was somewhat diffuse in the expression of her own plans and efforts, especially in the monster concert line, to aid in relieving the wants of the multitude. She answered all the questions put to her, and, though surrounded by a regiment as much ragged-ier than Falstaff's as his paunch was better lined than theirs, maintained an unruffled composure, and a charming suavity of manner, which extorted respect even for her extravagancies.

The portion of the crowd which failed to hear her improvised a meeting on the slope from the fountain's edge, and were addressed by a young man named Maranan, who urged unity of action, for unity, as the Apostle Paul had remarked, was the bond of perfection. He did not stand here, he said, to gather a mob, or to incite them to attack the City authorities. He stood here in order that peace might be preserved, and that every man might be subject to the lawful powers, for they were created of God. He stood here to urge concert of action, not in a group here and a group there, but in a series of regularly-organized Ward Associations, formed and controlled by the unemployed workingmen themselves, so that they might, with the greater probability of success, demand work to enable them and their families to live. He wanted peace and tranquillity, for without that they could not get along. For his own part, he would do anything for a living, and he demanded that he be provided only with the means of making a living honestly, no matter how lowly. Who was there present who did not concur with him, and join in his demand?

A Voice—All of us.

Another Voice—None of us. (Laughter.)

Mr. Maranan was proceeding to debate on the misappropriation by priests and parsons of the food shipped to Ireland in the famine of 1847, but that being a subject apparently foreign to the taste of the audience, he was obliged to conclude somewhat prematurely.

Another man, a blacksmith, named Paul, but not the blacksmith who has heretofore figured so conspicuously in these demonstrations, took the place of Mr. Maranan, and addressed the crowd at some length. He said the members of the Common Council had done all they were able to do; they had appropriated $250,000 to make improvements on the Central-park, but it was one thing to appropriate and another thing to get. He wanted to know where the Corporation was to obtain this $250,000? The laboring classes were now defrauded by a horde of robbers and scoundrels, whose actions showed that they did not think the people wanted work. Now, let the workingmen unite. Let them set aside all political views, let them set aside all religious feelings. Let them be united as a working community, and proceed in peace and tranquillity, and they might defy this mighty Goliah; but [illegible] mighty Goliah but stood in their midst, could lead them around by the nose. In union they knew there was strength, and it was their duty, therefore, to organize in every Ward, meet in every Square, and insist on their right to live.

These sentiments were received with some applause, and their moderate and conciliatory tone was audibly commended by many of the older listeners. The Central Park affair was spoken of as a "sell," and "curses, not loud but deep," were heaped on the managers of it. One man declared that there were three barrels already full of laborers' recommendations at the Commissioners' office. Another said that, withal, nobody would be employed without a recommendation. A third asserted, that a thousand men had gone up to-day to obtain work, and he was certain that not one of them had been employed, and it was very uncertain whether any ever would be. As a relief to these gloomy forebodings, a party of youngsters got up a spree. A silly-looking German, with an amorphous hat, who was always sure to be found in the very heart of every crowd, his mouth wide open, and his broad, good-natured face fixed into a stare, was selected as the butt. They began by thumping his hat over his eyes, then elbowed him into the fountain—or fountain basin, rather, for there is no water in it—and wound up by elbowing him out of it. He was taken charge of by one of his countrymen, and safely conveyed to the outskirts of the crowd, where our reporter left him at 12¼ o'clock.

Peter Monomian collected a portion of the crowd around him shortly after 12 o'clock, and addressed them upon the "work or bread" text. He urged them to act in concert. It was his opinion that unless they all pulled together in a united body, they would never effect anything. What could they expect to accomplish with so many Committees, all urging different measures? They would starve before they obtained relief in this way. The speaker related the story of a poor man out of employment, and with a large family to feed, whose landlord had ordered him to be turned into the street that very morning because he could not pay his rent. The law which gave him power to exercise such tyranny was unjust, and ought to be amended. Formerly a landlord could not compel a distressed family to remove during the Winter; he was compelled to wait until the 1st of May before he could eject them. If that law was not in force now, it ought to be reënacted. [Applause.] It was not right for a landlord to turn a family out in the cold on a Winter's day. He counseled resistance wherever a landlord attempted it. The unemployed, he said, should unite to protect themselves; they should act themselves, and not depend upon political tools—persons who were their pretended friends, but would desert them when an opportunity for serving their own ends by doing so presented itself. He would now introduce Madame Runze.

There was a great deal of applause as this lady, dressed as on the occasion of her last appearance in public, came forward and addressed the meeting. She urged them to union. She was sorry that there was not concert of action among them. A few days would suffice, if they all worked in unison, to accomplish all that they desired to bring about; but, until they did concentrate their strength, nothing could be done. Her motives were to help the poor and to aid the oppressed. She was with them wherever they were. She was a citizen of these United States, and had lived in this country twenty-one years. She had had opportunities to observe the traits of the American people, and she knew that their greatest fault was extravagance. They rode in their gorgeous carriages, went to balls, wore their rich dresses, and lived in their magnificent houses. It was different with the people of Europe. There nothing but simplicity was met with. Everybody lived contentedly and happily, had enough wealth to supply their daily wants, and were none of them entirely without means. Work was plenty, and contentment existed everywhere. Sometimes they had revolutions, and then things wore a different aspect. But in this country hardly a Winter passed but what there were people in want and destitution among us. It would be a great deal more to the credit of New-York ladies, if they wore calicoes instead of silks and laces, and satins, and rich robes, and gave the money which they now expend for those luxuries to the poor. If she was wealthy, as they were, she would give all she had to the poor, but as it was, she would only give them her sympathy, and look to God for her reward. [Applause.] She would suggest a mode of effecting a regular organization among the poor. In every Ward the workingmen should assemble and send their delegates to a great Central Committee, into whose hands all money that was given for the poor should be placed. In this way they might proceed with some regularity, which they were not doing now. Some of the unemployed workingmen had told her that they could work only two days out of the week on the Central Park, if they were permitted to, and allow others to have a chance to work too. They manifested the right spirit and deserved to be assisted.

Madame Runze exhibited some plans to her audience, which, she said, had cost her years of toil to concoct, and in preparing which she had expended $6,000. Her object in drawing them was solely to benefit the poor. Her plans were, to have a large hotel and a church erected. The hotel should accommodate all the destitute of the City. [Great applause.] The church would support the hotel. She valued her plans at a million of dollars, but was willing to sell them for $800,000. If she obtained this price, she would contribute half of it for the relief of the poor, and with the rest she would pay the debts which had been contracted in devising the plans. It would be worth a fortune to any man who should carry out her plans.

Some of the crowd appeared highly delighted with the propositions of Madame Runze, but the majority ridiculed what she said. All however, examined the plans with interest. They gave her three cheers and the meeting broke up. During the afternoon but few of the laboring people remained in the square. There were a great many loafers of all ages and sizes there till nightfall, some playing ball, others playing tag, and the rest doing,—what the New-York rowdy knows so well how to do,—nothing. Assuredly, Tompkins-square yesterday afternoon was the commonest of commons. Everything common and vulgar appeared to be congregated there. The rowdiest looking rowdies, the dirtiest looking urchins hanted in the most "distressed for rent" garments, seemed to have selected this desolate heath as a fitting background to the picture of the lowest of the lower classes which they presented. The square itself looked like a habited wilderness. The grass plots have been trodden into the ground, the fountain bed is dry with thirst and choked with filth, and on the borders of the Park the fact that a fence once existed there is only indicated by the stump of a rail which here and there projects above the surface. It is a most fitting theatre for the enactment of the Beggars' Opera.

McGuire, one of the principal leaders of the unemployed, keeps a drinking place on First-avenue, and is a candidate for the Democratic nomination of Alderman in the Eighteenth Ward. He is repudiated by a great many of the workingmen, who have characterized him and his associates as "political dabsters and tricksters."

Charles Smith, "the poet and literary man, and not a bill-poster," ran for Assembly in 1856, and was defeated. He came very near receiving the nomination of the Democrats in his District for the same position this year.

Cases of Destitution.

A poor man named Wilkinson, who lives somewhere in First-avenue, stated to a little group of sympathizing fellow-sufferers in Tompkins-square, that his house had been without food or fuel for 24 hours, and that neither bite nor sup had crossed the lips of either his wife or himself since Wednesday morning. He told a doleful story of an Intelligence Office in Broadway, which had taken money from him two months ago, and undertook to secure him employment on the day after, but had failed to keep the engagement, and now, after his calling daily for eight weeks, refused to return him his money. His poverty-stricken look confirmed the truth of his statement.

A Quaker lady, residing in Philadelphia, was recently visited by a little girl who said her father was very sick and was not expected to live, and that she and the rest of a large family that was dependent upon him for support, were in a state of destitution. She begged that the lady would give her some money at least to purchase the medicine which had been prescribed for her father, and which [illegible] gave her, and the little girl with tears of thankfulness murmured her gratitude and departed. A few days after she returned with a countenance more wan and sorrow-stricken than before, to tell her benefactress that her father was dead; all the money which she had received had been expended for a coffin and shroud, and she had nothing left to defray the further expenses of her father's funeral. The generous lady gave her $10, and went among her friends and collected $8 more for her, and then went with her to her wretched abode where she found the family wringing their hands and uttering loud lamentations over the body of a man which lay in a coffin placed on two chairs in the centre of the room. The lady, who was unused to such scenes of woe, and was greatly affected by what she saw, hurriedly drew forth her purse, gave a portion of its contents to the little girl with a promise of future assistance, and hastily left the room. When she reached the foot of the crazy stairs, which she had ascended to the squalid apartment above, she discovered that she had forgotten her purse. She went up again immediately, and as noiselessly as possible that she might not disturb the sacred grief of the sorrow-stricken family. What was her surprise and horror on entering the room to perceive the corpse sitting upright in its shroud, eagerly counting the gold which she had left behind her, and announcing the result in tones which sounded more like those of robust health than the sepulchral accents of an inmate (almost) of the tombs. She contemplated for a moment this phase of humanity, and then departed as noiselessly as she had returned.

An old man, holding a little boy by the hand, came into Tompkins square yesterday, the very picture of distress. He seemed to be in great trouble, and his little boy was sucking a stone he had picked up. The old man asked if he could see the Committee, as he wanted assistance from them. Being told that the Committee could do nothing for him, he replied that he was informed that they could, and had been requested to come down here to-day and they would give him food. He further stated that two men called at the place where he lived, and requested every person, men and women in the house, who might be in want, to turn out in the Square to-day, when relief should be given, as there were to be several grocery stores opened for them, and all the hungry could have as much food as they wanted. Several of the bystanders laughed when they heard this, and told the old man he had been fooled. Two or three gentlemen, however, combined together, gave him the sum of fifty cents, and then told him to go home. The old man seemed greatly pleased, and exclaimed as he went off: "Oh! if I could only get that much every day, how hard I would work for it; how happy I would be!"

Alexander Moffat, an honest looking Scotchman, about 45 years of age, who said he was from Ayrshire, and had been 10 months in the country, was the picture of famishment and distress. He said he had not tasted food for nearly two days; his wife was sick with rheumatism, and unable to come to the street. He had been out of work for nine weeks. Unless relieved, both he and his wife will perish of hunger.

Central Park.

All persons applying for work upon the Central Park are directed to the office, Seventy-ninth-street and Fifth-avenue, where a registry is made. And as soon as the arrangements can be made, which will be in about a week, a thousand persons will be set to work. The Comptroller countersigned his warrant and the Mayor signed them immediately, for $20,000 yesterday, in favor of the Commissioners, in anticipation of the stock to be issued. Twenty persons were set to work under direction of the Superintendent of planting on Wednesday last, who are engaged in the nursery.

The adjourned meeting of the Committee of the Board of Councilmen on Lands and Places, in reference to the Central Park investigation, did not organize yesterday, nor were the Commissioners present, concerning whom the Chairman had said measures would be taken to enforce their attendance.

The Board of Aldermen.

THE STREET CONTRACTS GIVEN TO FORBES & CO.—THE STREET COMMISSIONER ON ENTRENCHMENT.

The Board of Aldermen met last evening, President Cheney in the Chair. A communication was received from the Mayor, inclosing the letter from the Postmaster General in relation to the new Post-Office.

Alderman Meyerhan moved that the Mayor be directed to close the negotiations immediately, so that the work of building the new Post-Office might be proceeded with without delay.

The President decided the motion out of order, and the subject was referred.

A resolution was offered by Alderman Jackson, to the effect that the laborers employed on the public roads be paid in all cases, in which proper vouchers can be shown that the work claimed has been done, and that payment for the same has not been made.

Alderman Morrissey hoped the men would get their pay, but he would vote in the opposition, because he thought to favor it would be at least a partial recognition of the appointment of Conover.

Alderman Jackson said the statement, that these men had been appointed by Mr. Conover was false, and in continuation he remarked that there had been a great many humbug speeches made, and humbug resolutions sent in asking the Aldermen to meddle freely in order to catch votes; but he had heard no one speak in favor of those who had been working for the Government, and who could not get their pay. The men had done a needed work, and the question of whether they had been appointed by one Commissioner or another ought not to interfere with their payment.

Alderman Fullman said the newspapers had put him through pretty roughly when he offered the resolution to have Bloomingdale-road improved, and now he wished the reporters would state that he gave the road-masters a great deal of credit for the manner in which the work had been done. (The reporting through referred to by the Alderman was simply the publication of his resolution verbatim et literatim.) Alderman Tucker thought there was a remarkable inconsistency in the course pursued by some members. Alderman Meyerhan, he said, had but a few moments before proposed that the Mayor be directed to close negotiations for a portion of the Park at one quarter its value, in order that poor men might be employed, and now he opposed paying another lot of poor men for the work they had done.

Alderman Baker offered an amendment to the effect that the men employed by Mr. O'Toole be paid.

Alderman Jackson hoped no such amendment would pass. He objected to making any distinction between the men, and he was desirous that all should be paid before the election, so that they would be in a position to vote as they pleased, and not to be "roped in" to vote for any man on the promise that he would get their money for them.

Alderman Morrissey thought the matter had now gone so far that it became a fit subject for a Committee. He thought the man should be paid, but wished to be assured that the work had been performed by those claiming pay.

Alderman Jackson thought it remarkable that members were in favor of paying the men, and that at the same time they opposed it by purposed delay.

After some additional debate, the amendment was lost and the original resolution was adopted.

A resolution was passed to pay the Presidents of both Boards $500 each for services as members of the Board of Health.

The report of the Councilmen's Committee on the investigation into the management of the Department of Finance, came up and was made special order for Monday night.

The report on the contract with Forbes & Co., for cleaning the streets for five years, for $345,000 a year, was called up.

Aldermen Blunt opposed the confirmation; the price was too high. He always suspected, when he saw men about the Board lobbying for measures, who had been connected with the robbery of Tweed. He said he had understood that there was $30,000 "put up" and ready to be paid as soon as the contract should be confirmed. He moved that it be referred to a Committee.

Alderman Tucker favored a reference, because he was sure, if the contract should be confirmed, there would be serious trouble. There would be an injunction put upon the City Inspector, enjoining him from perfecting the contract. The result of that would be that the City Inspector would not be able to put a broom upon the streets until the whole subject should be decided by the Courts.

Alderman Adams, as Chairman of the Street Committee, objected to its reference to that Committee. He was convinced that the work could not be done well for less.

Alderman Tucker said he had examined the books in the Comptroller's office from 1854 to 1857, and found that cleaning the streets had not cost more than $275,000 for any one year, and that included $20,000 for projections, which was nearly $100,000 less than was now proposed.

The President stated that, during a year whilst Mr. Alderman Tucker was Street Commissioner, the expense was [illegible]

Alderman Tucker and other members [illegible] gave the opinion that the contract could be let for [illegible] less than the sum mentioned, and that the City would be not little expense. Several contracts had been made at such a time, and the contractors, after drawing their money in full monthly installments, gave up their contracts when the time for cleaning the streets arrived; and not one dollar had ever been collected from their sureties.

Alderman Drake favored a confirmation of the contract.

Alderman Owens thought the contract a fair one, and unless he could be satisfied that the men were not responsible, he would vote for it.

Alderman Blunt had no idea that the gentlemen named intended to clean the streets—he believed they intended to sell the contract for a very large amount. If he were at liberty to tell what he knew of the matter, there was not a member of the Board who would dare to vote for it.

Alderman Stokes had looked over the specifications with care, and considered the contract a good one.

Alderman Tucker said Messrs. Gidney, Mott & Dodge would do the work for $300,000, and with as good security as was presented.

Alderman Baker opposed the confirmation.

The motion to concur with the Board of Councilmen was then put and carried by a vote of 17 to 3. Aldermen Tucker, Baker and Blunt voted in the negative. Several resolutions were adopted, requesting all persons having contracts for Government work to give a preference of employment to men who have families to support.

A communication was received from D. D. Conover, Esq., in relation to the business of the Street Commissioner's office, and what may be done for the unemployed, and ordered to be printed in the minutes. It read as follows:

THE STREET COMMISSIONER, AND HOW TO EMPLOY THE POOR.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

The undersigned, Street Commissioner of the City of New-York, would respectfully communicate to your honorable body a brief statement relative to the present condition of his department.

The right and title of the Street Commissioner to the office of which he is now confessedly, on all hands, the actual incumbent, is not a question for discussion between him and your honorable body. The present Street Commissioner is in actual possession of the office, and in all particulars and in every way able and ready to perform all its duties. The office is completely organized in all its several departments, for the honest and efficient discharge of all its functions, and the Street Commissioner would respectfully suggest that the opinions heretofore emanating from the Mayor and Common Council, upon legal, constitutional questions, in many respects kindred to that involved in the appointment of the Street Commissioner, have not met with that approval or concurrence from the Courts which should encourage either the Mayor or Common Council in these times, ("when over 30,000 mechanics and laboring men have been deprived of employment, and that, too, upon the threshold of that season which always brings with it additional wants,") to the consideration and publication of their sentiments upon points of law, to the neglect of the performance of those relative duties which respectively attach to the Street Commissioner and the Common Council.

The appointment of the undersigned as Street Commissioner by the Executive of the State was an act done in the legitimate discharge of his duties as Governor, and in pursuance of a conscientious conviction of the requirements of his position and his oath of office faithfully to administer the laws. Thus possessed of the office of Street Commissioner, the mere fact of such possession necessarily and of itself raises certain relative obligations between the undersigned and your honorable body, which on his part he has been, from the time of his appointment, qualified and willing to discharge. Such then is the present condition of the Department, and such has been its condition from the 15th day of June last.

That the appointment of the undersigned as Street Commissioner has furnished any legitimate cause or reason for the suspension of the public work, the undersigned most respectfully, but firmly and positively, denies. Every security for the faithful, energetic and economical performance of that work ever given by any officer at the head of the Department has been given by the undersigned, and nothing has ever been wanting to the furtherance of that work and the employment of hundreds and thousands of the working classes, otherwise unemployed, but the concurrence and cooperation of your honorable body. It has been the steady refusal of the Mayor and Common Council for the last six months, to enable the undersigned to proceed with the public works absolutely demanded for the good of the City and the welfare of the citizens, that many of our worthy, willing and hard-working mechanics and laborers are at the present moment out of employment. If the business of the Street Department is paralyzed, the real cause of action depends on the part of the honorable the Mayor and Common Council.

While the undersigned claims no right to interfere with the proper functions of the Common Council, he wishes it to be distinctly understood that his rights as Street Commissioner are to be maintained, and that in the discharge of his duties as the head of the Street Department, as the largest avenues of public work are by law under the charge of that department, he is behind no department or officer of the City Government in his wishes and exertions to meet the exigencies of the present crisis, and to contribute to alleviate the distress existing or impending of his fellow citizens. I have carefully prepared a list of contracts duly advertised, opened and awarded, and only waiting the action of the Mayor and Common Council in order to put them in immediate operation, which list is hereto annexed, marked No. 1. I have also annexed the list marked No. 2, which contains a statement of work duly petitioned for, which has only been partially acted on by the Common Council.

In view of the great distress in our City, I would urgently call your immediate attention to the large amount of work ready to be at once prosecuted with. The contracts given out and enumerated in list No. 1, waiting only your action on them, would furnish immediate work to several thousand mechanics and laboring men; and many thousand more could have employment if your honorable body would pass upon the work petitioned for and partially acted on as set forth in statement No. 2. I would also state that a large amount of repairs are required immediately on the docks and piers, in order to protect the interests not only of commerce but of the City. This would also give employment to a large number of workmen.

I would further call your attention to the fact that the contracts awarded as stated in No. 1 will entail no expense on the City, and will not increase the taxes, as they will be collected out of the property benefited by such improvements. Thus it will be seen that your corporation (which corporation cannot in any way prejudice the rights of any rights existing by law, contract or any other) will not only benefit the City but give immediate employment to some fifteen or twenty thousand needy mechanics and workingmen.

Again, most of the work mentioned in list No. 1 can be steadily progressed with during the entire Winter, as, for instance, regulating Ninth-avenue, from Broadway to One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street, that being a solid mass of rock, which the cold and frost cannot interfere with, and so with most of the other contracts enumerated. Whereas the grading of Hamilton-square will have to be postponed, as it is all earth, and the frost will effectually stop the work, and it will not afford any relief to the suffering and destitute laboring men. Besides, the action of the Mayor and Common Council, in respect to directing the Comptroller to grade Hamilton-square, is wholly and entirely illegal and void, as that work can only be done under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and if the Finance Department should attempt to carry out the directions of the Mayor and Common Council, it would only lead to an endless litigation and loss, both to the City, the contractor and the laboring man.

I would, therefore, strongly but respectfully urge your honorable body to take immediate action on the papers and contracts now before you, and give immediate relief not only to the City but to thousands of starving and deserving families. All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. D. CONOVER, Street Commissioner.

List of Contracts duly awarded and awaiting Confirmation by the Common Council.

Ninth-avenue, grading, between Broadway and Sixty-ninth-street.

Ninth-avenue, grading between Sixty-ninth and Seventy-ninth streets.

Ninth-avenue, grading, between Seventy-ninth and Eighty-fourth streets.

Ninth-avenue, grading, between Eighty-fourth and Eighty-ninth streets.

Ninth-avenue, grading, between Eighty-ninth and Ninety-ninth streets.

Ninth-avenue, grading, between Ninety-ninth and One hundred-and-eighth streets.

Ninth-avenue, grading, between One-hundred-and-Eighth and One-hundred-and-Twelfth streets.

Ninth-avenue, grading, between One-hundred-and-Twelfth and One-hundred-and-Twenty-fifth streets.

Flagging Gerrck-street, between Broome and Divington streets.

Excavating slip, between Piers Nos. 51 and 52 North River.

Flagging One-hundred-and-Twenty-seventh-street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues.

Regulating One-hundred-and-Seventeenth-street, from Third-avenue to Avenue A.

Regulating Tenth-street, from Avenue C to Dry-Dock-street.

Flag, curb and gutter Thirtieth-street, between Sixth and Eighth avenues.

Regulating Third-avenue, from Eighty-sixth to One hundred and tenth-street.

Flagging Third-avenue, from Forty-second to Forty-fourth-street.

Flagging Forty-sixth-street, from Broadway to Eighth-avenue.

Flagging Eighteenth-street, from Seventh to Eighth-avenue.

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Regulating, paving, from Fifteenth to Fifty-ninth-street.

Regulating Fifty-sixth-street, between Sixth-avenue and Broadway.

Curb, gutter, &c., quarter-feet of Jackson-street.

The table No. 2, referred to, contains a list of one hundred and ninety-nine different jobs of work required to be done, but awaiting the action of the Common Council. They consist of numbering stores, fitting for grading streets and avenues, flagging, and curb and gutters, and repairs to public buildings.

There is also another list given of fifty-four heavy contracts, for regulating and grading, building piers, and laying out squares, which are only waiting for surveys to be completed.

The Board then adjourned to Monday next.

Board of Councilmen.

The Board of Councilmen met on Thursday, the President, J. N. Phillips, Esq., in the Chair.

The Report of the Committee in favor of confirming assessment list for flagging sidewalks of Twenty-seventh-street, between Second and Third avenues, was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The Report of the Committee on Finance, in favor of a donation to the manufacturing department of the Blind Asylum, was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The report and resolution from the Board of Aldermen respecting the building of an engine-house in the middle of the street at Burling-slip was referred to the Committee on Finance.

A resolution to pave Mulberry-street, offered by Councilman Hecouse, was laid on the table.

A debate arose as to the propriety of discharging the Committe of the Whole from further consideration of the assessment lists.

Councilmen Hemphill, Ottarson and Brady strongly objected to the hasty way of doing business.

Councilman Wagner expressed himself able for once to agree with Councilman Ottarson.

Councilman McCahill spoke very warmly.

In the middle of his address Councilman Wagner rose to order. It was, he said, utterly impossible to understand a word of Councilman McCahill's address. Why could he not speak plainly? His voice sounded like the notes of a stoop load of calves.

Councilman McCahill said that such attacks were ungentlemanly; he also rose to a point of order, and "if he had the brogue, he spoke good grammatical sense and orthography." The Councilman then spoke instead of shouting, and in a less vociferous tone, and was somewhat better understood.

Councilmen Reynolds as one of the members of Committee on Assessments wished that the Assessment lists should be got through. The contractors ought to have their money. He wished the Committee of the Whole to be discharged of all Assessment lists.

Councilman Warner moved as a further amendment that the Committee be discharged of all papers.

Councilman Reynolds accepted the amendment.

The amendment to discharge the Committee of all papers was negatived. Some discussion arose as to the ruling of the Chair. The President held that the Committee could be discharged by the vote of a majority of the Board then present.

Councilman Warner appealed on the ground that 40 votes were necessary to discharge the Committee of any papers. The decision of the Chair was sustained by a vote of 23 to 6.

On a paper from the Board of Aldermen a vote was taken upon the payment of $2,000 to S. H. Branch.

Councilman Hyneman did not know him, but thought he ought to be paid.

Councilman Ottarson was opposed to the whole matter, but did not wish to be unjust to Mr. Branch individually, and therefore would vote in his favor.

The vote stood 27 to 7; lost for want of a constitutional vote.

The matter was reconsidered and laid upon the table. The Board adjourned to Monday at 8 o'clock.

Labor and Relief Movements Elsewhere.

IN PHILADELPHIA.

The *Philadelphia Inquirer* learns that preliminary steps have been taken for a public meeting in that city, with reference to the adoption of some measure of relief to the unemployed by the City Councils. A Committee of citizens, consisting of property-holders, employes, manufacturers, and others, has been appointed, and the demonstration will probably take place on Monday next. The City Councils will be called upon to authorize the construction of the Cohocksink Culvert, and to go on with all other public work that is deemed essential, and that is calculated to afford employment to the working classes. This movement is entirely distinct from the more exciting demonstrations that have recently taken place.

The workingmen of Philadelphia waited upon Mayor Vaux on Wednesday, and were kindly received. The Mayor made a speech to them. He said, among other things:

"These dull times are but of short duration; they cannot, in the nature of things, last long, and there will be a demand for labor again. He said that he could see every day the evidences of a change for the better. No man had yet made bold to explain the cause of the great revulsion which had laid business prostrate, and thrown the mass of men out of employment. He certainly did not pretend to understand what had brought about this state of things, but there was one thing that he wanted to have infused into society, [illegible]

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The Ward Committee appointed by the citizens of Trenton, N. J., made their report on Wednesday, at a public meeting held for the relief of the people in Library Hall. The announcement was made that the Common Council of the City had begun to act, and had already ordered a large amount of work to be commenced. The citizens have followed up the movement by connecting an Association, [illegible] Hon. Moses Thomson as President, urging [illegible] to raise voluntary subscriptions—to receive [illegible] money, food or clothing; and also, to all persons [illegible] to cooperate with the public authorities and with other Associations engaged in relieving the wants of the poor. A coal-dealer in Trenton sent the following note to the meeting:

I will contribute twenty tons of coal to those in need the coming Winter, provided others will come forward and make the quantity up to one hundred, the same to be placed in the hands of one person [illegible] for proper distribution that your Committee may select.

Mr. Hayman Emmons announced that he would give one gentleman who would be responsible for the sum of $5,000 toward the establishment of the Relief Fund.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That as certain liberal-minded citizens of the City have determined to give their employes, especially those with families, half time, at full wages, so that their time shall not be lost, and as it is established to workmen the power, every one, of giving the citizens, while checking their idleness, and thus exhibiting the virtue of public spirit, we believe and know that all citizens who are able will cooperate with the public authorities in providing work, what with the public works, and the voluntary giving of those who have the means, and the weekly giving of those who have the means, but have not the heart to furnish work for their employes.

After some remarks from Mr. [illegible] who pledged ten barrels of flour, the meeting adjourned.

A Relief Association formed in Philadelphia.—A meeting called by the Relief Committee of Philadelphia, at Concert Hall, was held on Wednesday night, instead of Library Hall. It was well attended by the leading citizens, but there was no concert, as at the previous meetings, public interest in the movement appears having evidently subsided. It is being discussed, but little or nothing can be said, pending the organization of associations to distribute money to the necessities. This was the object of the meeting, and a voluntary organization of the best character to effect its proposed ends was formed. Its [illegible] is similar to those which have previously existed, but its operations will probably be more comprehensive, direct and discriminating.—*Daily Ledger.*

Meeting of the Unemployed in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, THURSDAY, Nov. 12.

Five thousand unemployed persons met in Independence-square this afternoon. The meeting passed off quite orderly, the speakers generally advocating the support of law and order. A reporter of [illegible] Press being called upon, recommended the giving of work instead of alms at meetings, and taking it at any price in preference to starving, and was greeted, while the declaration of another speaker that he would die rather than work under [illegible] received with applause. The issue of street [illegible] by the city was advocated.

Politics.

On the first Tuesday in December we have to elect a Mayor, seventeen Aldermen, twenty-five Councilmen, twelve Supervisors, five Coroners, [illegible] the Almshouse, six Police Justices and six Constables, and in each Ward one School Commissioner, one Inspector and two Truscers [illegible] vacancies to be filled in the existing local boards.

For Aldermen, the Republicans have nominated in the

Third District—James Brown.
Fifth District—William Tucker.
Sixth District—Thomas Bennett.
Eighth District—Samuel T. McKinney.
Fourteenth District—Jacob H. Valentine.
Fifteenth District—James Owen.
Sixteenth District—Gideon Clark.

In the Fourth Senatorial District, last night, the Republicans nominated the following for Councilmen:

First Ward—Joseph E. Boyce.
Sixth Ward—George Haggerty.
Seventh Ward—Archibald Hall, Jr.
Fifth Ward—William H. Crane.
Eighth Ward—Joseph B. Gaston.
Ninth

NEW BOOKS.

A [illegible] have been published by [illegible] Queensland, or, Kaloolah; or, Journey to the Source of the Niger, which has been rather favorably [illegible] in English journals. Who the author of [illegible] may be, we have not heard conjectured, but, judging from the dedication of his book, to "[illegible] Thomas Carlyle," we should suppose him to be a personal friend of that illustrious critic. We hope, if this is the case, that he will not [illegible] Queensland as an authentic representation of any possible varieties of American life, for it [illegible] only serve to strengthen him in his avowed opinion that we are "a nation of twenty-seven millions, mostly fools." There is no human production so absolutely dreary and wearying as a dull novel, and there is no kind of dull novel so [illegible] dull as a dull American novel. Our [illegible] can only be made available for [illegible] purposes by the hand of genius; the same writer who might succeed in [illegible] a romance of English or French life would utterly fail on this side of the Atlantic. The author of Queensland has been less [illegible] than a good many other writers in the [illegible] class. He is undoubtedly familiar with American life, but all the known [illegible] of society in the New World, [illegible] in Queensland, might have been gleaned [illegible] a gazetteer. There is a sufficient knowledge of American local [illegible] but that is all the Americanism the book [illegible] Queensland is the name of the hero of [illegible] who is not, in fact, much of a hero, and among the characters we find the Earl of Moorlands, Vincent Delorme, and Monsieur Agla[illegible]. The latter personage is introduced to the reader "seated at a luxurious writing-desk, before a beautiful marble bust of Montesquieu. According to his custom, he touched a bell, and looked gaily around. Presently there entered a lovely Englishwoman, young, of ravishing beauty, leading a little girl two years of age. The father lifted the child to his knee, kissed her fondly, and sent them away without speaking a word. The [illegible] was then seized, and he wrote three hours without cessation." M. Agincourt is engaged upon a very novel literary undertaking. He was writing an imaginary *Biographie Universelle*. Such a century of American life as M. Agincourt presents would be rather difficult to find.

Among the personages introduced is the editor of a New-York journal, a kind of scare-crow, which bears about as much resemblance to any possible reality as the scare-crows of the field do to the Apollo Belvidere; the description of this character will afford a sufficient indication of the author's style to satisfy our readers.

"Conspicuous among the passengers were two very peculiar men. One was the editor of a New-York journal, and the other a member of the Senate of the United States. The editor was a man of middle age, shrewd, industrious, and calculating. He was very thin, very red in the face, had a glancing, quick-looking eye, walked with shuffling gait, spoke quick and sharp, and was never at rest. His judgment of men and things was sound and rapid. He was a stubborn hate, his eyes to see the way to an end, and a steel heart to deal death to any unfortunate that blocked up his path. In early life he had struggled to the teeth in misery; and when, by vital energy and bold enterprise, he had begun to rise in the world, a hundred rivals hooted at his heels, vilified him, neglected no opportunity to blacken and depreciate him; thus a nature, naturally as good as the average, was soured and embittered. In a life-and-death struggle he had fought his way on; in a mortal combat with opposition he had made himself a sure fortune and a [illegible] name. He was, withal, no hypocrite—he never played the saint. For that reason he was better than some of his contemporaries, and, we may add, was regarded by the multitude as worse than he was."

The disposition of the characters in the last chapter is decidedly American. Some of them run off to California, some join the Mormons at Salt Lake, and some go traveling in Europe. Queensland, in brief, is a very stupid book, and we presume that it was published in London because it would find no publisher here. If Mr. Bentley should be desirous of adding to his catalogue of original novels a few dozen of American romances, he may readily procure them of a quality much superior to Queensland. There are stacks of MSS. in the hands of nearly all our publishers, who would be [illegible] very happy to be rid of them on almost any terms.

The Saint and his Saviour, is the title of a new volume, by Rev. C. H. Spurgeon, published by Sheldon, Blakeman & Co. Mr. Spurgeon has the gift of speech, and takes great delight in its exercise. He is a natural orator, and hence his great popularity; but he confesses to his lack of enthusiasm when he takes his pen in hand, which ought to be a sufficient reason for his confining himself to the sphere for which nature has so eminently qualified him. He says, frankly, in the preface to his work: "Writing is to me the work of a slave. It is a delight, a joy, a rapture, to talk out one's thoughts that come upon the mind, the instant they are required; but it is poor drudgery to sit still and groan for thoughts and words, without succeeding in obtaining them. Well may a man's books be called his 'works,' for if every mind were constituted as mine, it would be work indeed to produce a quarter volume." But there is the difference between the writer and the orator. The writer stammers on his page, while the orator stammers at his desk. It is a delight and a rapture for the author to have a pen in his hand, but "poor drudgery" to talk out his thoughts, though there are exceptions, and there are some men who both talk and write with rapture to themselves and delight to others. Mr. Spurgeon's book professes to be *The Progress of the Soul in the Knowledge of Jesus*, but it is wordy, like a popular harangue, and not intended for readers, but for listeners. As an exhibition of the author's powers as a writer, however, it will be regarded with interest by the admirers of his oratory.

Messrs. Carlton & Porter, the agents of the Sunday School Union, have published in a very neat volume, a biography of that eminent christian woman, Lucy Huntington, with brief sketches of some of her friends and co-laborers.

The Fairies in America is the title of a little illustrated volume, by Spencer W. Cone, published by Pudney & Russell. Mr. Cone says he "has no apology for his book," but he ought to make one. There are no fairies in America. When our ancestors crossed the Atlantic they left all their gentle household beings behind them. Fairies have no haunts over here; they cannot be transported; they cling to their old homes where they were born, and refuse to cross a temperate ocean. It is no use to attempt to revive a fairy mythology in this hard-working age and nation of ours; Puck, and Robin Goodfellow, and Titania, can never become naturalized Americans. It is useless to think of such a thing. They live in the traditions of a people, and cannot be readily transported from one clime to another. English fairies belong to England; they can never be domiciled in New-England, nor in New-York. Mr. Cone's fairies are as good as any Cis-Atlantic fairies; but bad are the best; they are but abortions, and they lack the airiness, and grace and elegance of the fairies of the Old World. We hope to succeed better in creating a fairy mythology for this side of the ocean than Washington Irving has done in his *Dolph's Fay*; but these little, beautiful creatures as they are, appear as bogus by the side of the genuine creations of the imagination, which play in the plighted Clouts of Old-World traditions.

The Illustrated Annual Register of Rural Affairs for 1856–7, is a very serviceable and entertaining volume, containing a profusion of wood cuts, published by Hannan Tucker & Son, Albany.

Brownson's Quarterly Review for October.

What a very curious book might be made up of extracts from the popular periodical literature of the United States; what oddities, what anthropomorphic of character and opinion, what diversities of political theories, and what natural contradictions would be numbered together. Take *Brownson's Quarterly Review*, published in New-York, and written by a native of New-England, which might have been published in Vienna or Madrid; it is entirely Anti-American and Anti-Republican in all its sentiments, and so thoroughly ultra montane. The most violent and bigoted Catholic in Naples would not be more extreme in his opposition to all our institutions, than is *Brownson's Review*. The editor thinks "We have undergone a fearful moral deterioration," and that "if our political system has not proved an absolute failure, we owe it to the conservative institution of Slavery, an institution that contradicts every principle of freedom the American people glory in asserting." "Never was farlift," says Brownson,

"So unthrifty as the Americans, never did so little good come of such immense labors as we perform. Yet we would annex all nations to us; yet we hold ourselves up as the model for all nations to copy. Let Cuba be annexed, and Cuban life is gone, and the American life of toil, drudgery, gloom and speculation takes its place."

Brownson is a great admirer of the Spaniards. He says:

"Religious and American scribblers have grossly misrepresented and calumniated Spain, the Spanish Queen and Court, the Spanish grandees and nobles, and the Spanish people. The Spaniards are the most noble, chivalric, hospitable and courteous people in Europe, where—except perhaps in Ireland—the stranger is sure of the most hearty welcome, and to be made to feel himself the most at home. In spite of English materialism, in spite of French philosophy and infidelity, the Spanish people are substantially a Catholic people, with the pure and gentle manners, the courteous bearing and the warm hearts the Catholic religion is so well adapted to foster. Thirty years of revolution and civil war have not yet destroyed the Spanish nature or Spanish manners, and the nation has in itself a recuperative energy to be found in no other people. Not all the O'Donnells and Espanteros, backed by all the power of England and English creditors, will prove able to prevent her from recovering from her present fallen state, and holding her proper rank among the nations of Europe."

We hope we may live to see his prophecies fulfilled, but the recuperation of the Spanish race will take more time than its decadence. With all his admiration of the Spaniards, and his contempt for his own Protestant people, Mr. Brownson could hardly venture to draw a favorable conclusion from the progress of the two races on this continent.

The Westminster Review for October. New-York: Republication.

The Westminster Review is as radical in its liberalism as Brownson's is conservative and bigoted. The article which deserves most attention, and will best repay an attentive perusal, is entitled "Representative Government—What is it Good For?" Precisely what it is good for, and what its functions are, are clearly and philosophically shown in this able review of a subject which is a perplexing mystery to many intelligent minds, who find no satisfactory solution of the problem of Representative Government in its practical results. The writer in the *Westminster* very satisfactorily proves that the Representative system is entirely inadequate to perform what it attempts, but that it is, notwithstanding, the best form of Government known, and admirably calculated to secure justice for the people. But the article in the *Westminster* which attracts most attention is its leader on the ethics and æsthetics of women's dress in 1857. It is from the pen of the writer of a similar article in this Review, which appeared three years and a half ago, on the subject of "Manners and Fashion." The writer then declared that a Protestantism was needed in social usages.

"Thus it appeared in 1854 that we had reached such a pitch of extravagance in our tastes and usages, that we could scarcely make ourselves more absurd; yet, during the intervening years, the gravest of those social extravagances, that of female dress, has become so much more conspicuous than at any time within three generations, that the expected crisis must be very near indeed, and the conventional protestantism must be ripe for premulgation. If reform is really to come about by such means. We see reason to believe, as we shall presently show, that the prophecy of 1854 was a rational one; and we venture to hope that the fathers and husbands of the rising female generation will have less to suffer in mind and in purse from the follies of their fair relatives than our neighbors of the present day."

This article could not have been written with an eye to the present commercial distress, but it comes in most appropriately at the present time, and the authority of this grave quarterly on such a subject will be more attentively considered perhaps than the sarcasms and witticisms which have been so profusely showered upon the female toilet during the past year or two. The two articles of attire on which the *Review* comes down with its sledge-hammer are the little bonnet, and the expansive and expensive gown.

THE BONNET.

"Glancing at the fashions for 1857, what do we see? On the head is a something, the purpose of which it would be difficult to discover by reason; a structure of silk or straw, adorned with flowers, ribbon and lace, crowded on the angle of the jaws and the nape of the neck, and with its fore part just reaching the crown of the head. We have Mr. Brownson's authority for the effect to the eye of the spectator in front. Being advised to preach against the prevailing folly in head-gear, he paused as he stood up on the platform, looked around him, and said—he have been requested to rebuke the bonnets of the day; but—upon my word—I do not see any." This is the bonnet of 1857, pinned to the head in some troublesome way—leaving the face exposed in a manner which one need not be a Turkish parent to disapprove, and causing the hair to be powdered with dust, and the head and face to be alternately heated and chilled by sun and wind, so that the physicians are easily believed when they declare that cases of eye-disease, of toothache, and neuralgic pains of the head and face, are beyond all precedent in their practice. For many months past English women and the ladies of America, where the extremes of heat and cold are greater than with us, have been subjecting themselves to the inconveniences of going out bareheaded, with the added annoyance of an apparatus which heats and worries the back of the neck. The broad-brimmed hats are a piece of good sense in the midst of a mass of folly. *Punch*, and other satirists, may cavil at the hat as a device for looking young; but the ridicule touches only the elderly wearers, and leaves the hat unimpeached. Some quizzical specimens, plumed and beribboned, and so turned up and twisted about as to serve no more useful purposes than the prevailing bonnet, may be seen here and there; but the simple original hat, with a brim which shades the eyes, and a crown which protects the head, is worthy of all approbation, while it is exceedingly becoming to young wearers. As to elder people,—if they sensibly decline wearing the bonnet which exposes their grey hair to the very crown, and feel that the hat is too jaunty,—why do they not recur to the indigenous, serviceable, becoming, unobjectionable English straw-bonnet of all times?"

But it is the gown on which the *Reviewer* comes down with his full force, tearing and slashing in a terrible manner among the crinoline, the moire antique, the velvet and flounces, without reverence or remorse. It is a bold hand that makes such a terrific attack on the sanctities of feminine attire.

"The madness runs riot in the gown—(to use the old-fashioned word, which is more distinctive than the technical use of the term 'dress.') The consciousness of the whole public enables us to be brief on this head. When we enter on the topic of the gowns of 1857, every reader's 'prophetic soul' warns him what animadversion to expect on tight waists, bare shoulders and arms, cumbrous and encroaching skirts, and an apparatus for their management, which is in every way objectionable. The costliness, the clumsiness, the ugliness, the affectation, the stiffness, the noisiness, the complete reversal of the objects and attributes of dress in the 'dress,' evening and morning, of the present fashion seems to be generally admitted; therefore we shall not insist on them at any length. The plain facts of the case are these. The gown of 1857 is made of the most expensive materials obtainable. Ladies who used to dress handsomely on thirty pounds a year, now find that sum insufficient for their gowns alone; and middle-class young ladies, who have hitherto been satisfied with twenty pounds a year, are now driven to their wits' end to keep up with the mode at all; and they have recourse to cheap showy silks that will not last, or light gauzy materials requiring a style of petticoat, which make the dress a costly one after all. Maid-servants, who have before deposited something in Savings Banks every quarter, now feel morally compelled to buy twice as many yards as formerly for their gowns. 'It is but ninepence a yard,' the saleswoman says, when a gown is a print; but the gowns are not all prints; and if all results eight or ten breadths in the skirt, the difference at the end of the year to a girl whose wages are ten or twelve pounds, is not small. Even the cheap print gowns require so much making, and are so troublesome to wash and iron, that the custom is a tyrannous one to those on whom it weighs least. As for the most numerous order of its victims,—that of middle-class ladies,—this year, 1857, will be a mortifying or disastrous one in the family history of the many households. The cost of dress has become so disproportionate to other items of expenditure, as to create serious difficulty in the homes of men of business, who have hitherto been able to provide their wives and daughters with whatever was needed, up to a moderate competency. The riot dishes of the day, under their various names, of which every lady now thinks one at least absolutely necessary, cannot be had for a wife, and daughter, with the prodigious trimmings, which are equally indispensable, under a less sum than would maintain a country clergyman, or half-pay officer and his family. The paraphernalia of ribbons, laces, fringes, and flowers, is more expensive than the entire gown of ten years ago. It is not our purpose, as we have notified, to go into the serious moral consideration of the case, or we might disclose a decline of respectability in this class, as well as in ranks above and below, which would make other hearts as heavy as our own. Our readers can imagine, if they do not know, the process of decadence: exhausted credit, debt, secret gambling, in one shape or another, and even theft in the form of a great spread of shop-lifting, and the purchase of stolen goods."

These be bitter words, but we cannot undertake to say they are not well deserved. Yet, after all, where is the husband or father who has not exulted in the dazzling spectacle afforded by his wife or daughter as she sailed proudly and yet gracefully, into the brilliant drawing-room, arrayed in one of these sumptuous dresses, with its bewildering wealth of superb materials. Rail at fashionable follies as we may, it cannot be denied that the majority of us delight in them, and would not curtail an inch of our wives', or daughters' crinolines. Still, our better reason compels us to condemn the extravagance of female costume, which, in the year 1857, has reached its highest point of extravagance and absurdity.

A GLEAM OF HOPE FOR THE GOWN.

"Meantime, there are grounds for some degree of hope of a mitigation of exhisting evils. The repeated failures of the silk crop must so enhance the cost of the most expensive fabrics, as to compel an economy which will probably be veiled under a complete change of fashion. There is always an outstanding probability of political changes in France; and it seems to be the general impression that the probability can hardly be stronger than it is now. It would be the smallest consequence (in regard to the dress question) that the exhibitions of fantastical fashions would cease at the Tuileries. A more important consideration is, that the social corruption fostered in France by the autocratic rule of the last six years—a corruption fearfully on the increase from year to year—would give way to that earnestness, and that power of self-denial and frugality, which the French have always shown themselves capable of on critical occasions. It is with some humiliation that we refer to the fortunes of France as a condition of improvement in England; but such are the real grounds of the case. We are bound to the course of French fashions in the matter of dress; and we see no sign anywhere, from the highest lady in the land to the maid-of-all-work, of an impulse to independence—strictly personal as the matter is."

True Americans will Keep the Peace.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Few things can be more distressing to a genuine American soul, than to find the working-classes aping the incendiary processions and conspiracies of old despotic countries, and, like the wretched rabble of European capitals, charging every social distress upon the Government. Can it be from Americans, or even from adopted citizens of more than a few months' standing, that such egregious and suicidal blunders proceed? We verily believe it is not. We are quite sure that Yankee boys, able to read and write, and slightly booked up in the story of American freedom, could not be seduced into misconceptions and public exposures, worthy only of servile mobs and brutish lazzaroni.

Monstrous gatherings and dirty banners, with outcries against wealth and capital, do not fill a single hungry maw. Your 'cute Yankee, your long-headed Hollander, your canny Scot, give a wide berth to all such craft. Their Winter evening book has taught them that none but thieves, ruffians and incendiaries can gain by general disorder. They know that if five thousand hands are out of work to-day, fifty thousand would be out of work upon a general rising, and that hopelessly. They are keen enough to perceive that if an assault were made by labor upon capital, the only result would be, first, bloodshed, and then loss of liberty. Our warm-hearted Irish citizens are not to be carried away by the treacherous talk of a few German propagandists, bellowing Proudhon's maxim, that "property is theft," blaspheming marriage, and denouncing the church. Some of our best citizens are Roman Catholics: we know how they have been disgusted by the harangues against "priests and doctors," which have characterized the mob-eloquence of the last week. If anything is peculiarly ungracious in men who, amidst tobacco and whisky fumes, bewail their starving condition, it is their sneers and vituperation against the medical profession and the ministers of religion, two large classes, beyond all others known for visits of mercy to the widow, the orphan and the dying, and for perpetual solicitation in behalf of the forsaken. It is by hearkening with approval to such malignant drivel as this that virtuous but foolish persons cut themselves off from the sympathies of ten thousand who have never yet proved deaf to the cry of popular distress. Perhaps the best thing to be done is for every good citizen to impress upon every son and neighbor the undeniable maxim, that *it is the highest interest of every honest man that the peace of the City should be maintained.* PAX.

Country Merchants and their City Creditors.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

One of the injurious effects of the panic which this country has been undergoing, is the demoralization of the country merchants. The jobbers to the country, anxious to make it an object for them to remit, have properly proffered such rates of interest for unexpired time as the value of money would seem to warrant, but there are not a few that require the New-York creditor to take pay in the currency of the State in which he is dealing, or decline paying at maturity. Such has been the case with a large proportion of the merchants in Virginia and Rhode Island, from which points Exchange on this City have ranged from 5 ⅌ cent. to 10 ⅌ cent. Now, to pay these accounts or notes in the par currency of the City is as much a part of the contract as the price of the goods themselves, and to *demand* that their creditors shall lose this considerable sum in pay of goods which have in many cases paid barely a commission of 5 ⅌ cent., approaches very nearly to dishonesty, and they who have cheated and shaved their confiding creditor, as has been done by a good many of the merchants in the country, will be remembered.

There is no class of dealers in the world to whom another class is so much indebted for favors as the country merchant is to the city jobber, and yet in trying circumstances like those of the present season, they have in too many instances exhibited a character which has been submitted to, but will not be forgotten, as they will learn when they apply for credit another season. One of the practices of the New-England merchants, particularly this season, has been to return without consent such portions of their purchases, made perhaps early in the season, where the sale has been slow, and goods depreciated, requesting them to be put to their credit. Such conduct in the end far more injures the party taking such liberties, and in the experience of the writer, hardly one accustomed to that way of reducing stock at the end of the season, ever became a prosperous merchant.

It is to be hoped that our merchants in the dry goods trade will, as a body, after the experience of the present season, have some fixed principles upon which they are ready to act, regardless of some few unreasonable retailers, who threaten to not buy except with a departure from such rules, and among those rules let us have for time of credit six months or less, for bank-notes, *par money*, and under no circumstances to permit a return of goods except with the consent, first of the party selling, and by conforming to these and other rules, elevate the character of our trade and the merchants of the country to something better than a tricky huckster.

IMPORTING JOBBER.

A Row on a Hudson River Railroad Train.—A party, consisting of half a dozen drunken men, got on board the Express train from this city, at Peekskill, and refusing to pay their fare, commenced a hideous uproar, ending with the smashing of windows, lamps and seats, and assaulting the passengers, who were compelled to flee into the other cars for safety. Mr. Daniel Young, the conductor, stopped the train at Yonkers and telegraphed to New-York for police aid on the arrival of the cars at Thirty-first-street. No arrests were eventually made, however, on account of some misapprehension, and the vagrants escaped.—*Albany Argus, 12th.*

THE EMPEROR OF FRANCE.

Interesting Account of a Visit to Napoleon III.

From the New-York Times.

A gentleman in this City has received a private letter from Mr. Mysterwar, of the United States Navy, dated Paris, Sept. 22, from which we are pleased to be permitted to publish the following:

PARIS, Tuesday, Sept. 22, 1857.

Uninterrupted travel for six weeks, in Switzerland and Germany, has prevented me giving you till now, the particulars of my first interview with the Emperor, in which I know you will be interested. While still in England, two months ago, I was aware that he had left Paris for the season, and would be at the baths of Plombieres till with the Empress he should make a visit, that had been announced, to Queen Victoria, at Osborne. It was stated by the press that this would take place on the 25th of July; but on reaching Paris on the 22d, I learned on good authority, that he would certainly continue at least three days longer at the Baths; and, determining to avail myself of the opportunity of an interview there, I set off the same evening for them. The journey is one of sixteen hours; twelve by railroad, and four by diligence, and it was midday on the 23d, before I reached my destination.

The only difficulty I foresaw, in gaining access to his Majesty, was that of communicating to him, in the absence of all diplomatic agency, the fact of my being at Plombieres. In Paris, the etiquette of the Court in regard to an audience, is necessarily rigid; and the then very recently detected *conspiracy against his life by Italian exiles*, through the instrumentality of hired ruffians from abroad, had led the approach to him by persons unknown, to be particularly guarded by his friends. Aware of this, Mr. Mason, the American Ambassador, in whom I have an old friend and fellow student in early life, kindly furnished me with a letter of identification, rather than of introduction, to Mr. Mocquard, chief Secretary of the Imperial Cabinet. It contained no allusion to my acquaintance with the Emperor, or to the object of my visit to Plombieres, but led to a call upon me by that gentleman so prompt, that I had not time to change my dress before his name was announced.

He soon recognized me as one who had been in communication in America with his Majesty; and immediately said that he would lose no time, on being again summoned to the Cabinet, in informing him of my visit, and that I would doubtless hear from him. This I did shortly afterwards, in an official invitation to dinner the same evening at the palace, followed by a call in person from Gen. Fleury, chief equerry and aid-de-camp in attendance.

Plombieres lies nestled in a little valley, amid the forest heights of the mountains of the Vosges, in the Eastern section of France. The glen in which it is situated is so narrow, as to allow room for a single street only, along the bed of a brawling mountain stream. From this, one or two others strike steeply up the sides of the hills on either hand. The Imperial residence is in the centre of the town, within a quadrangular court. It is so built, that on one side, the second floor, on which the principal saloons are, is on a level with a terrace of the gardens, and opens upon it. The house is scarcely large enough for a limited suite, and its accommodations are extended, whenever the formation of the ground will admit, by tented apartments of striped canvass, which stretch from it into the shrubberies amid fountains and flower beds. These additions are tasteful and ornamental, shaded and cool; especially the largest, which communicates by a range of French windows with the reception rooms, and had been freshly and beautifully decorated with flowers and various embellishments of art, for a *soiree dansante* the preceding night.

I was punctual in my arrival to the hour appointed, according to the time of the town; and, after passing the sentries at the gates of the Court, was making my way to the principal entrance on the ground floor, when a porter in the livery of the household directed me to a balustraded flight of stone steps, on one side, leading to a terrace. A group of officers in a tent near by, politely repeated the direction; and, ascending to the top, I found myself in the temporary ball-room just mentioned. From this I was conducted, by a person in attendance, through the Cabinet into a drawing room. On looking at a clock on the mantel, I perceived that I was a quarter of an hour in advance of the time of the palace. The Emperor, it appeared, had but just left his Cabinet for a turn in the grounds. In a few moments, however, I heard footsteps in the direction I had entered, and turning from a painting which had arrested my attention, saw him advancing with outstretched hand, and a smile of pleasure, and so frank and so cordial, and, I may add, so flatteringly kind were the reception and welcome given me, that the prestige of the Emperor was at once forgotten in the presence of the friend, and in the associations and sympathies of an intimacy enjoyed years ago.

He was followed by a suite of four or five gentlemen, to whom he presented me as "a very old friend from America," and then immediately asked, "Would you have known me?" The severe vicissitudes through which he has passed, for a portion of the period since I last saw him, have left little if any impress upon him physically. His complexion is more bronzed, and his hair darker than in earlier life; and a military moustache and imperial give a somewhat different contour to his face. The lines, too, of strength, dignity and decision in his countenance, are more marked, and perhaps, when he is not speaking, now predominate over those expressive of the great amiability and kindness of nature characteristic of him. But I was happy in not being able to detect any evidence of the impaired constitution and doubtful health which have at times been intimated in the public journals. On the contrary, he seems to be physically firm and robust, and is more muscular in appearance and movement than might be expected in one whose mind was given to severe study during long imprisonment, and must since have been heavily taxed by the immense responsibilities which have rested on him singly in the exercise of supreme power. Had it been otherwise, however, and I had found him ever so much altered in health and personal appearance, his smile, so familiar to my recollections, and the intonations of his voice, so gentle and so winning to his friends, would not have failed to identify him.

Seating me beside him, he at once recurred to the chief incidents of our personal association, with a minuteness of recollection that surprised me, referring to and bringing to my mind some which had entirely escaped my own memory. He was particular in his inquiries in regard to those in America whom we had mutually known—especially Washington Irving, his health, and the book on which he is at present engaged as an author. On the announcement of dinner, placing me on his right, he pleasantly said: "This is just as it used to be when we dined together so often in New-York."

The conversation at table was general, but was led by the Emperor on topics introduced by himself. These embraced the new President of the United States, Mr. Buchanan, and the promise of his Administration in regard to our foreign relations; the American press, its influence and its responsibilities, the difficulties and necessities of European rule; the embarrassments in our own political condition, arising from the existence of Slavery, and the unavoidable antagonism in sentiment between the Free and the Slaveholding States; the spirit of *filibusterism* in certain classes of our people; and Mormonism, with its abominations, spreading in our bosom and defying governmental authority.

In connection with the new Administration, he took occasion to express the earnest wish that its inauguration would not lead to any change in the diplomatic representative from America at the French Court; paying, at the same time, a tribute of honor to Mr. Mason, both as an able and accomplished Minister, and as a gentleman whose genial spirit, great amiability and courteousness, had made him most popular and most acceptable here. On this subject he expressed deep personal interest.

On returning to the drawing-room, at the end of an hour, I was about to take leave, when the Emperor kindly interposed, by saying he wished me to take a walk with him. I was very ready, as you may imagine, to interpret the wish, according to imperial etiquette, into a command, and thankfully availed myself of the privilege. We left the Palace by the garden entrance, opening upon a road along the hillside, which overlooks the town and little valley. Pursuing this for some distance, we ascended the hill, and crossing the glen, entered upon a beautiful new gravelled road on the opposite side, constructed by the Emperor during the past year as a walk, for the benefit and pleasure of the visitors to the baths and the public in general. It extends a couple of miles, perhaps, from the town to the woods, with which the hills at that distance are covered.

It was the hour of the evening promenade, and at some points the broad walk was crowded with ladies and gentlemen, old and young, and with children and their nurses. A few placed to witness the house and good will manifested by all to the sovereign; and not less so to observe the great kindness with which their constant salutations were returned by him, and particularly in some special civilities he paid, by stopping to one and another of the aged and infirm, seated by the way side, in begging them not to rise as he approached, in a compliment to a mother on the beauty of her child; a touch of fondness to the child itself; and a word of recognition here and there to some young girls who had been at the ball the preceding night. This, however, was only in the crowded parts of the promenade. We soon passed these and on our way towards the woods were alone, some yards in advance of the gentlemen of the suite, and at liberty to converse with uninterrupted freedom.

It was nearly two hours before we again approached the palace. In doing so, I intimated my purpose of taking leave at its gates, for a return to Paris; and with all my knowledge of the kindness of his heart, I was surprised, almost, at the warmth of his expressions and manner, while assuring me of his appreciation of my friendship, and the pleasure my visit had given him. The most I had anticipated, in the thought of being received by him in France, was the possibility of a private audience for a few minutes amidst the pressure of engagements inseparable from his position, and I could scarcely realize the fact, as I bade him adieu, that I had thus been favored with three hours of most kind and confidential intercourse. No higher proof could be given of his great amiability and kindness of heart, or of *the truth, that the occupation of an imperial throne* has had no ill effect upon the generous impulses of *his nature.*

As to the reputation which he has won for himself in Europe there is no longer a question. Its mental power, its far-seeing sagacity, its ability to project and energy to accomplish the wisest measures in government; its fitness to guide and to rule, in the affairs of an empire, it is universally admitted, so far as I can learn, that he stands unrivaled amongst the monarchs of the present day. I am told in France, by those having the best opportunities for correct knowledge on the point, that the masses of the nation would regard any disaster to the Emperor as the greatest calamity that could befall them; and, during the six weeks I was in England, I satisfied myself fully as to the general estimation in which he is held there as a ruler. From members of both houses of Parliament, from officers of both army and navy, from gentlemen whose official position is such that they can scarcely be ignorant of the sentiments of royalty itself, from clergymen and laymen in various parts of the country, I heard one and the same opinion constantly expressed, that the Emperor of the French had proved himself to be the most extraordinary man of his day, and without question is the first Sovereign in Europe, and the present human arbiter of her destinies. Happily for the world he has adopted the maxim, that "THE EMPIRE is PEACE."

Americans at Sebastopol.

Correspondence of the Philadelphia Press.

SEBASTOPOL, Saturday, Aug. 29, 1857.

We make up parties of pleasure every Sunday, (*Wiscrussians* in Russian,) and either go sailing or on horseback to the different places around and about Sebastopol—such as Inkermann, Baden, Malakoff, Balaklava, Backsarie, &c. A description of these places may form the basis of a future letter.

On the first of July we commenced diving. "An old practical diver," as he represented himself to be, from Boston, was the first to begin operations, but he made such a bungling attempt that an Englishman, who had been in the employment of the Russians as diver for eight months previous, and was engaged by our company, insisted that this must have been the very first time the Bostonian had ever been under water. He also satisfied Billy McL—— that diving "was not what it was cracked up to be." He has never been with us since, though Billy says he will try it yet.

The next day I descended in the Submarine armor, with nerves unshaken and heart as fearless as it is at this moment. Upon my second descent I made up to a large anchor, which was pulled up, and was truly a great haul. Since then I have been diving every week-day, in the morning on the afternoon, and some days both before and after dinner. For the last week past I have not been down, as we are breaking in a Greek, who will make an expert diver. He cannot speak a word of English except what I have taught him.

We have had very little rain since our arrival. Most of what we had came in the night, rendering the water very cold—especially when the diver has to go into the holds of sunken vessels. There is no tide whatever, and but little current, in Sebastopol harbor, and as the water lies dormant in the holds, is very cold to the diver.

Our dresses leak very much. On two or three occasions I have taken off my dress with no less than two or three buckets of water in it, and not I alone have been in this plight, so comfortless and dangerous. It has been the same way with all the rest. We have six of these dresses at present, and must have sixteen to eighteen more to do the necessary diving, there being one hundred and seventy-two vessels of various sizes, sunk in this harbor. Many of them will have to be blown up. One, called the *Sagadell*, Mr. S. Eakins commenced operations upon to-day, the 29th August. He succeeded in blowing her nearly all to pieces. It required over 3,000 pounds of gunpowder, and will take 2,000 pounds more to demolish her entirely.

Col. Gowan commenced on the *Paris*, but did not make much headway with her, as the batteries would not work in his hands. However, Eakins astonished the natives to-day, as not a single pontoon missed fire. A great number of Russians lined the shores to witness the explosions, which made a truly splendid sight, the water being thrown up full 30 feet high.

The bark *Our Union* arrived here on the 21st of August, being 74 days coming. As I understood from the sailors, she sailed on June 5, and stopped five days at Constantinople. Her procrastination was one reason why I did not write, as I expected Mr. Eakins and Bill Hillers in her. The passengers (only four) and crew were all. The crew are now engaged in discharging cargo.

We have one of our catamarans nearly completed, and as it needs *four*, we shall not be able to raise any vessels until Spring. The work goes slowly on. However, now that Mr. Wickersham and Mr. Pierce (the chief engineer) have arrived, they may be able to hurry up the cakes.

Mr. Wickersham and Mr. S. Eakins arrived here last Friday evening, in the *Farskoit* steamer, from Odessa, which is distant some 300 miles. They were detained there by the Russian officials *for three weeks*. Mr. Wickersham was not allowed to bring his family to Sebastopol, until Colonel Gowan interfered. The Colonel had to communicate with the Powers that be in this tyrannical country before they would allow them to proceed.

The mails go only once in every ten days from Sebastopol to Odessa, so you may see how time is lost in communication—especially as Odessa is the headquarters of this part of the Russian dominions.

Not a single one of our men, if they had to ship over again, would sign articles to come to this poverty stricken hole. You cannot purchase a decent pair of boots in Sebastopol. What they term Sap o yais and Bash-makers, (that is boot and shoemakers,) you would not give a dollar for in the United States. For a pair of boots they ask five or six rubles, (each ruble is eighty cents, as I mentioned before,) and for a pair of gaiter shoes, which lasted me only three weeks, I paid four rubles. I wore them out, mind you, in three weeks, putting them on only on Sundays and sometimes in the evening.

Ready made clothing cannot be purchased in Sebastopol, except overalls and calico shirts. For one of the latter they demand Pottarina Rupe Gendurs, which means a ruble and a half in silver. A common black cloth or satinet cap costs two rubles; a pair of pantaloons ten or twelve rubles, and fifteen rubles if made of fine black cloth. No kind of a hat can be obtained in Sebastopol, for any money. Of cap makers I found no lack, but not a single hatter. Tailors are plentiful, but there is one boot maker, a German. Nearly every storekeeper and tailor is a German Jew.

In the whole of Sebastopol there are only two hotels, each of which can accommodate forty persons. These hotels are only one story high, and I am informed, and can readily believe, that the accommodations are of the very worst description.

That you may understand the Russian currency, and estimate it by ours, I must tell you that a ruble is estimated at eighty cents, (though not worth seventy-five,) and that one hundred kopeks—pronounced kopeeks—are in each ruble. A kopek is three-fourths of one cent.

On the 6th, at St. John, N. B., Breese, and Slavin and his son, charged with the murder of Robert McKenzie, his wife and four children, were arraigned. Breese pleaded guilty, the elder Slavin said he was "not clear" of the murders, and the younger Slavin pleaded not guilty. The prisoners were committed.

Brigham Young and the Government.

LETTER FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

OFFICE COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, [illegible]

SIR: Your communication of the 12th of last September has been received, and would not require a formal reply were it not for the effect you make to place this office in the wrong, when, in fact, whatever difficulties exist have resulted from your own conduct. As the superintendent of Indian Affairs for Utah Territory, it was your duty to keep a supervisory control over the different agents, and to see that they did not exceed their authority. It was your duty also to notify them of all things pertaining to their duties, and especially to keep them in their expenditures within the appropriations made for your superintendency. Their reports were made to you, and by you transmitted here. You cannot, therefore, plead ignorance of their transactions. Knowing, then, the amount of the appropriations, and being fully advised of the affairs of the agencies, and that money could not be taken out of the Treasury without an act of Congress, you have allowed the drafts to exceed the appropriations to the amount of $31,520 55 to the close of the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1857. When the agents were notified that their drafts could not be paid in consequence of the appropriation having been exhausted, and rebuked for exceeding them, they replied that they had no information from you on the subject. These communications passed through your hands, and yet you seem to have [illegible] them, or, if all the facts, you took no steps so far as this office is informed, to protect the public interests, or to keep your subordinates within the proper sphere of their duties. On the contrary, you seem to have joined in the disregard of those things, as is evidenced in your return to Agent Huff, sending him to Carson's Valley at a heavy expense to the Government, when it was well known that the services of an agent were not required in that quarter; and again, when you fitted out an expedition yourself, and conducted it northward out of your superintendency, to give presents to Indians not under your control. From all this it follows that if your drafts are not paid you have no right to complain, because you knew at the time that the appropriations on which they were drawn were exhausted.

But even if the money was in the treasury, ready for the Indian service in Utah, I do not see how it can be applied to the payment of your drafts until they shall have first passed through the strictest scrutiny, for this Department has information from reliable sources that, so far from encouraging amicable relations between the Indians and the people of the United States outside of your own immediate community, you have studiously endeavored to impress on the minds of the Indians that there was a difference between your own sect, usually known as Mormons, and the Government and other citizens of the United States—that the former were their friends, and the latter their enemies! In addition to this, you have been denouncing this Government, and threatening as armed resistance to the authorities sent out by the President. Indeed, unless you and your conductors are most grossly misrepresented, and your language misquoted, the appearance of these authorities among you is all that is necessary to prove you to be an overt act of treason. It could never have been intended, when the appropriations were made by Congress, that the money should be used in arousing savages to war against our citizens, or to enable a subordinate officer to carry on unreasonable practices against his own Government. The rule of this office is to withhold annuities from the Indians whenever they place themselves in a hostile or antagonistic attitude towards the Government, and I know of no reason why the same rule should not be applied to you at this time; but as the appropriation has been exhausted, it is not necessary to consider that question now.

You say "the troops must be kept away, for it is a prevalent fact that wherever there are the most of these we may expect to find the greatest amount of hostile Indians, and the least

NEW-YORK CITY.

THE GROSVENOR-STREET TRAGEDY.

BY AMERICAN OF O'CONNELL—HIS EXAMINATION BY THE CORONER.—MARTIN O'CONNELL the ringleader of the gang who shamefully abused and maltreated the poor Irish woman named TERESA SUTHERLAND, in the basement of No. 32 Grosvenor-street on Friday night last, was rearrested at an early hour on Wednesday morning. Officer GUTZMANN from whom he escaped on the night of the murder, has busied himself unceasingly ever since, in hunting up the fugitive, by whom, was from the Fifteenth Ward and one from the Twenty-second Ward assisting him in the chase. They succeeded at length in forcing out the gambler's hiding-place, which proved to be in a house at the corner of Sixth-Avenue and Twenty-eighth-street, occupied by Mrs. ANN MURPHY. At 6 o'clock Thursday morning, the officers made a descent on the house, having first guarded against the possibility of his escape from the rear yard. They found O'CONNELL asleep in bed. The chief of the officers aroused him with such surprise that he was paralyzed for several minutes and unable to get out of bed. The officers directly handcuffed him, without giving him a chance of colloquy and physical commotion. He was taken to the office of the Department of Police and thence to the Coroner's office. To the questions put to him by the Coroner, he answered as follows:

Q.—What is your name? A.—Martin O'Connell.

Q.—How old are you? A.—Fifteen years; my parents were married; my birth is registered in a Prayer-Book.

Q.—Where were you born? A.—In New-York.

Q.—What is your occupation? A.—Cab-driver.

Q.—Have you anything to say, and if so, what, relative to the charge preferred against you? A.—I am not guilty; when Officer Dan and James Toole were dragging Teresa Sutherland into the bedroom, she caught hold of the door, and I released her hand from their grip; I then went in a little after them, in order to get out the back way; I got out the back basement door.

At the close of the examination O'Connell was taken to the Tombs and locked up in a cell. He is a hard looking youth, and appears older than he represent himself to be. Toole and Hagan, two of O'Connell's associates in the alleged murder, are still confined in the Tombs. They keep up a cheerful air and express a willingness to be tried. O'Connell says positively, and that tragically. It is expected that the trial will take place early next week.

Also early yesterday morning Officers MILES and TILTON, of the Third Ward, arrested a young lad named [illegible] "Sailor Dan," charged with being one of the principals in the murder of Mrs. SUTHERLAND. They found the lad—that they arrested sleeping on an old hogsh in company with three young dock thieves. They were all taken before the Deputy-Superintendent, and officers of the First Ward, who knew Sailor Dan, stated that he was not among the arrested parties.

A gratuity was tossed yesterday by the Mayor offering a reward for the arrest of Sailor Dan, which, it is not unlikely, will have the effect to bring him to justice.

Police Intelligence.

SWINDLED BY EMIGRANT RUNNERS—A NOTED [illegible] Edward Judge, a [illegible] Indiana, fell on Wednesday morning into the hands of a couple of emigrant runners and ticket swindlers. According to his affidavit he came to the City early in the morning from New-Jersey, intending to take passage in a packet ship to his native country. He had a card in his pocket of the Tremont House, and in passing through Greenwich-street inquired of some man the location of the office. The man told him the office was at No. 150 Liberty-street, and kindly volunteered to show him the way, as it was but a block or two off. He was led by the street and shown a man who said he was agent of the Tremont line. He bought a ticket and paid $12 for it. After paying for the ticket the man demanded $2 additional as his commission, which he also paid. Supposing everything to be correct, he was then directed to the Tremont House, where he was to receive his ticket. On the man paying the money he handed over $4b to the agent, expecting to be handed back English gold for the amount, but was only paid in return two gold American eagles. He asked the man for the correct change, but instead of its being paid over to him the three men who decorated him in the office suddenly seized hold of him and hustled him out of the office, telling him to hurry his boots to the ship or he would be too late to get out of the port. Police Officer [illegible] who happened to be in the vicinity, [illegible] Judge, [illegible] took in their tracks and soon darted out of sight in divers directions. The officer proceeded to No. 156 Liberty-street and arrested Stephen Gordon, the proprietor of the office, and took him before Justice Connally at the Tombs. The Justice locked Gordon up, refusing to admit him to bail. Judge said he could identify the runners who enticed him into Gordon's office and officers were sent to arrest them. During the afternoon a number of Gordon's friends appeared at the Court and tried to effect his release. Alderman WILSON was sat on the bench.

ONE DAY'S ARRESTS AND ONE NIGHT'S STATION-HOUSE LODGINGS.—The returns of the Acting Inspectors of the different Wards of the City made Wednesday morning to the Deputy Superintendent, show the number of arrests for the 24 hours previous, to have been 49, and the number of lodgers in the Stations the previous night as 420. The reports of the various Wards were as follows:

Wards	No. of Arrests.	Lodgers. Males.	Lodgers. Females.
I	12	21	1
II	11	2	2
III	1	17	1
IV	7	23	2
V	7	17	5
VI	6	27	12
VII	2	14	2
VIII	6	10	11
IX	1	15	4
X	8	49	12
XI	4	8	—
XII	2	22	3
XIII	3	42	1
XIV	5	28	14
XVI	2	30	7
XVII	2	28	7
XVIII	4	5	6
XIX	1	8	2
XX	2	12	2
XXI	2	5	—
XXII	1	5	—
Total	87	319	116

Of the arrested persons, 52 were born in Ireland, 19 in the United States, 11 in Germany, 3 in England, 2 in Prussia and 2 in Scotland. The present number of lodgers is more than double that of a month ago, and nearly twice as many as a year ago this month. It is not unusual for parties to present themselves at a station-house as early as 4 o'clock in the afternoon, in order to secure a lodging. The great complaint is that the station-houses do not furnish accommodations for the number seeking lodgings. Every night a large number have to be turned away.

ASSAULT WITH A SHOEMAKER'S KNIFE.—Sam'l Lasher, a shoemaker, and Philip Snelder, a tailor, both residents of the Eleventh Ward, got into an altercation Wednesday night in Lasher's shop. During the quarrel Lasher seized a shoe-knife and stabbed Snelder in the head and back, inflicting serious injuries. The wounded man was taken to his residence and Lasher locked up in the Eleventh Ward Station-House. The prisoner was taken yesterday before Justice Wise, at Essex Market, for examination, but Snelder was not able to appear. The Justice committed the accused to prison to await the result of Snelder's injuries.

OUTRAGE ON A GERMAN GIRL.—John Hincken, grocer, corner of Eleventh-Avenue and Forty-seventh-street, was arrested yesterday, charged with committing an outrage on a German girl, named Vermylia [illegible], living at No. 223 West Twenty-third-street. According to the girl's story she was going down Eleventh-Avenue last Sunday night, on her way home, and when opposite Hincken's place was seized by the collar and forcibly dragged into the store, where he made a violent assault upon her. The girl made a complaint the next day, but Hincken could not be found until yesterday. He was taken before Justice FLEMMING and locked up, in default of $1,000 bail.

ATTEMPT TO SHOOT.—At nine o'clock last Thursday morning, Officer Lederwitz, of the Sixteenth Ward, reported that the house of Mr. [illegible], No. 226 Ninth-avenue, had been broken open. He hurried into the store and discovered THOMAS HOLMES, a young man, in possession of the store, busily engaged in putting up a box of shoes. He at unceremonious Holmes, and Justice FLEMMING committed him for trial. A fellow who was lurking near the store and ran off as he saw the officer approach, happened to have been an accomplice in the burglary.

DETAILING A HORSE AND WAGON.—Yesterday afternoon a young man named George Hanford was arrested charged with stealing a horse and wagon valued at $300, belonging to Mr. Charles McNamee, of the Fifth Ward. Mr. McNamee left his team and wagon in front of a store in Greenwich-street, when the prisoner mounted in the wagon and drove off. Officer of Chambers, of the Ninth Ward arrested the fellow at the corner of Chambers and Centre streets, and took him before Justice Connally, and locked him up.

A PUBLIC NUISANCE.—Andrew Rome, who says he is a native of the Island of Corfu, under the Chinese Bureau, was arrested yesterday on the charge of beating his wife, Julia Ryerson, and accompanying her to her lodgings in Howard-street. In the morning he found his companion and gold watch, worth $60, missing. He informed ex-Officer White of his loss who found the girl in Baxter-street, and recovered the watch. The girl was locked by Justice Connally on a charge of [illegible].

OBTAINING GOODS ON A FORGED ORDER.—Henry Alderman, for 18 years a resident of [illegible], was arrested Wednesday, charged with obtaining from Wilmerding, Huguet & Humbert, auctioneers, about $250 worth of goods on an order bearing the forged signature of Mr. Alexander Dalrymple, No. 289 Broadway, who had purchased the goods. The boy was arrested in the act of delivering the goods to a man on the stoop of the store. The man, who received the goods was also arrested, and gave his name as George H. Garow, the boy alleging that Garow gave him the order on which to obtain the goods. Both boy and man were committed for examination by Justice CONNALLY.

WHOLESALE HAUL OF POTATOES.—James Davis and James McArdle were arrested Wednesday on a charge of defrauding Mr. Simeon J. Carpenter, of No. 236 Delancey-street, out of 350 bushels of potatoes of the value of $200. Justice held the accused to bail to answer the charge.

LONG ISLAND.

BROOKLYN COMMON COUNCIL.—AN INEBRIATED ASSEMBLY.—An adjourned meeting of the Brooklyn Board of Aldermen was to have been held on Wednesday evening, but a quorum of sober members could not be obtained. Nineteen Aldermen were on hand at a reasonably early hour, and waited more than an hour for the twentieth to make a quorum. An officer was finally dispatched to bring in the first Alderman he could find. He naturally looked in at the harmonious first, and had not long been in search before his labors were crowned with success, and the delinquent was dragged into the Council Chamber; but as he was so much under the influence of liquor as to be unable to transact business, the sober members concluded that it was best to adjourn, which they did without transacting any business.

THE GREAT PUMP.—The Hartford *Times* has the following notice of the Great Pumping Engine now being constructed in that city, for the Brooklyn Waterworks:

"That our readers may form an idea of the magnitude of the undertaking, we will give a few of the dimensions of the principal parts of the engine; but before doing so it may be well to say, that there to be two engines of the same size and power; one is to be built and put in operation before the other is commenced. The steam cylinder of each engine is to be 80 inches in diameter, stroke of piston 10 feet, and the maximum speed to be 10 double strokes per minute. Each engine must be capable of pumping 10,000,000 gallons of water into a reservoir elevated about 70 feet above the pump wells, through a 30-inch main, 5,700 feet in length in 16 hours. From these figures we can safely state that they will be the largest pumping engines in the country. The builders confidently expect to realize from them a greater duty than has ever heretofore been obtained from any pumping engine in use at the present day.

SUICIDE.—A man named MICHAEL MURPHY died at the Kings County Hospital on Wednesday, from the effects of a severe wound in his neck made by himself one day last week. Coroner RAMSDE held an inquest.

☞ The Kings County Board of Canvassers continued their labors on Wednesday, and expect to complete the business before them by Saturday next. No serious errors have yet been discovered.

NEW-JERSEY.

STEALING COPPER.—Two men, both named THOMAS MCCARTY, (cousins,) were arrested in Jersey City, at an early hour on Wednesday morning, by Officer GRAHAM, while in the act of stealing copper to the value of about $100 from the ship-yard of Mr. MEARS. One of them had been employed in the yard, and had been in the habit for some time, while handling the copper, of dropping pieces into the water from the dock. Yesterday morning, before daylight, they had gone to the spot and filled it up, and were arrested just as they were about leaving in a boat. Upon subsequent search they were found in possession of about $50 worth of rope that they had stolen from the same premises. Recorder SAYRES sent them to the County Jail, to await trial.

CITY TREASURER.—The Jersey City Common Council held a special session on Tuesday evening, to elect a City Treasurer, in place of Mr. John Casper, who was elected to the position last week, but declined to serve, on account of the multiplicity of his other duties. After a number of unsuccessful ballots, Mr. PETER D. VROOM was finally chosen. Mr. Vroom is an attaché of the Hudson County Bank.

AGRICULTURAL.

The Breadstuffs, Provisions and other Produce Markets—General Agricultural Intelligence.

NEW-YORK TIMES OFFICE, Thursday, Nov. 12, 1857.

The movements in Breadstuffs during the past week have been quite heavy. The interior furnished large supplies, and as receivers manifested no disposition to reserve them, buyers purchased freely, especially for export, at generally well-supported prices, the market closing briskly and buoyantly for the leading commodities, the available stocks of which, here, are moderate for the season, and they can hardly be much increased before the suspension of inland navigation, which may occur prior to the end of the current month.

The following table will show the difference between the currency for the leading kinds of Breadstuffs yesterday and a week previous:

PRICES OF BREADSTUFFS IN NEW-YORK.

	Nov. 5.	Nov. 11.
Superfine State Flour	$4 85 @ $4 95	$4 85 @ 5 00
Extra State	5 05 @ 5 35	5 10 @ 5 20
Super. Ind. and Mich	4 85 @ 4 95	4 95 @ 5 00
Super. Ohio	5 00 @ 5 10	5 00 @ 5 10
Fancy Ohio	5 20 @ 5 30	5 20 @ 5 30
Extra Ind. and Mich	5 25 @ 6 50	5 10 @ 6 50
Extra Ohio	5 50 @ 6 75	5 50 @ 6 75
Fancy Genesee	5 40 @ 5 50	5 30 @ 5 50
Extra Genesee	5 75 @ 7 75	5 75 @ 7 75
Extra Missouri	5 75 @ 8 00	5 75 @ 8 00
Super. to extra Cana'n	5 25 @ 6 75	5 15 @ 6 70
Mixed to extra South'n	5 35 @ 7 25	5 15 @ 7 00
Rye Flour	3 50 @ 5 00	3 50 @ 5 00
Corn Meal	3 25 @ 3 75	3 50 @ 3 75
White Wheat ℔ bushel	1 18 @ 1 55	1 18 @ 1 55
Red Wheat ℔ bushel	1 00 @ 1 30	95 @ 1 35
Mixed Western Corn	— @ 75	75 @ 77½
Rye	75 @ 80	75 @ 78
Barley	70 @ 85	70 @ 88
Western Oats	43 @ 45	44 @ 46
State Oats	40 @ 43	43 @ 45
Jersey and Penn. Oats	39 @ 40	39 @ 42
Southern Oats	36 @ 37	36 @ 40
White Beans ℔ bush	1 60 @ 1 70	1 60 @ 1 70

The reported receipts (by river and railroad, as well as by coastwise vessels) of Breadstuffs, during the past week, compare with those of each of the two preceding weeks, thus:

Week ending with	Nov. 11.	Nov. 4.	Oct. 28.
Wheat-flour, bbls	148,500	98,400	95,100
Wheat, bush	365,000	360,400	224,000
Corn, bush	128,750	92,300	153,250
Barley, bush	—	5,400	15,000
Oats, bush	31,500	23,150	7,000
Rye, bush	5,700	—	—

The reported sales of Breadstuffs during the past week compare with those of each of the two preceding weeks, thus:

Week ending with	Nov. 11.	Nov. 4.	Oct. 28.
Wheat-flour, bbls	101,600	121,570	76,890
Wheat, bushels	509,000	443,000	250,505
Corn, bushels	146,000	130,000	152,000
Rye, bushels	10,100	2,000	1,200
Barley, bushels	11,900	28,000	14,400

We annex a comparative statement of the reported receipts and sales of Breadstuffs during the week and the corresponding week of last year:

	1856. Receipts.	1856. Sales.	1857. Receipts.	1857. Sales.
Flour, bbls	152,000	99,750	148,500	101,600
Wheat, bushels	512,000	552,000	365,000	509,000
Corn, bushels	215,000	279,000	128,750	146,000
Rye, bushels	10,800	38,600	5,700	10,100
Barley, bushels	6,300	6,750	—	11,900
Oats, bushels	15,000	—	31,500	—

We are indebted to Mr. EDWARD BILL, broker, for the annexed statement of the exports of Breadstuffs since Sept. 1, 1857:

TO GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

From	To Date.	Flour, bbls.	Wheat, bus.	Corn, bus.
New-York	Nov. 6	142,002	1,159,022	398,317
New-Orleans	Oct. 24	18,000	22,130	4,300
Philadelphia	Oct. 31	9,000	41,000	20,000
Baltimore	Oct. 31	10,000	41,000	2,000
Boston	Oct. 24	221	—	5,020
Other Ports	Oct. 24	3,045	60,400	—
Total, from Sept. 1		182,169	1,324,197	398,311
Total, to same time, 1856		152,345	2,110,328	1,321,639
Total, to same time, 1855		152,322	1,244,622	462,620
Total, to same time, 1854		2,078	16,653	1,002,833

TO THE CONTINENT.

		Flour, bbls.	Wheat, bus.	Corn, bus.	Rye, bus.
New-York	Oct. 30	15,718	51,000	....	....
Other Ports	Latest Date	2,325	23,000	....	....

Detroit Breadstuff Receipts during the week ending with Nov. 7.

Flour, bbls	26,531	Oats, bushels	12,578
Wheat, bushels	75,527	Rye, bushels	1,450
Corn, bushels	7,250		

Chicago Breadstuff Movement for the week ending Nov. 7.

Flour, bbls	17,723		10,765
Wheat, bushels	215,027		204,520
Corn, bushels	20,201		32,974
Oats, bushels	40,000		42,000
Rye, bushels	10,881		—

The receipts of Canal Flour at this port for the week ending Nov. 7, were 1,000 bbls. Canal Wheat, 1,000 bushels; Canal Corn, 1,000 bushels; Canal Oats, 1,000 bushels; Canal Rye, 1,000 bushels.

Nov. 2:

	RECEIPTS. Flour, bbls.	Wheat, bush.	Corn, bush.	Oats, bush.
Totals	242,874	2,420,471	4,052,501	997,499

	1856.	1857.
Totals	128,077	7,394,710	8,895,526	324,714

Dunlap's Breadstuff Receipts During October.

Flour, bbls	47,477	Corn, bushels	4,767
Wheat, bushels	17,886		

Cotton is arriving and selling rather more freely, at firmer prices. Our available stock is now but 2,167 bales, against 32,365 bales this time last year. The receipts at all the shipping ports to latest dates this season have been 902,156 bales, against 539,356 bales to the corresponding period of last season. The total exports from the United States so far this season have been 144,699 bales, against 181,473 bales to the same date last season. The total stock on hand and shipboard in all the shipping ports, at the latest dates, was 196,372 bales, against 270,008 bales at the same time last year. The stock in the interior towns at the latest dates was 30,439 bales, against 76,149 bales at the corresponding date a year ago.

New-Orleans Cotton Statement, Oct. 31.

Stock on hand, Sept. 1, 1857	Bales. 7,816
Arrived since	197,597
Total	205,413
Exported to date	74,445
Stock on hand not cleared Oct. 31, 1857	130,968

The Provision trade lacked vigor during the early part of the week. Towards the close, the receipts fell off, and as the demand was fair, factors were getting better prices. The British Government contracts for Pork and Beef have been partially secured by New-York and Philadelphia packers, the following vendors having been made through Messrs. A. & T. Nesmith, and accepted by the Commissioners of the Admiralty: By VAN BRUNT & WARNOCK, and TUNIS VAN BRUNT, of New-York, 1,856 tcs. of Navy Pork at £9 ss. 9 d.; 1,520 tcs. do. do. at £9 5s.; 1,600 bbls. Navy Pork at £5 14s. 9 bbl.; and 1,000 do. do. £5 12s. By J. T. ALLEGRIA & Co., of Philadelphia, 1,500 tcs. Navy Beef at £8 5s.; 1,200 bbls. do. do. £5 12s. 6d. Other contracts are represented as having been made by parties in this City, part of them at lower figures than the foregoing.

The Chicago Beef packing season is nearly over. Not over 10,000 head had been killed up to the 3d inst., and it is anticipated that there will certainly not be over 15,000 head slaughtered, during the entire season. The Pork packing season commenced in Chicago on the 4th inst., but under very discouraging circumstances. In Louisville, Ky., the prospects of the same branch of business are gloomy. The Louisville *Journal*, of the 3d inst., says that "For years in the commencement of November, the pens attached to the packing establishments were usually filled with fat porkers, but at present they are all deserted. Our packers have no inclination to buy hogs otherwise than on time, and farmers do not like to sell except for cash. We can therefore give no accurate quotations. Under these circumstances, there is no doubt that farmers will turn their hogs into bacon, while some in view of the large Corn crop, will not kill at all this season. In Cincinnati, no important movements transpired during the week ending the 4th inst. The *Price Current* says: "There are buyers of Hogs for present delivery at ⅝, but owners seem unwilling to accept this rate just now, and are asking ⅝ 50@⅝. There are very few arriving, and none but those contracted for. Two houses have commenced packing on contract Hogs. There can be no doubt now that the season will be a late one, as owners will hold back to the last sooner than accept present prices. Hams, sides and Shoulders are offered in bulk for December 6c., 6c. and 7c., but this is above the views of buyers. Mess Pork was offered at $14 on 'Change yesterday for December, but $12 50 was the highest offer we heard of."

Groceries varied very slightly. Coffee, Teas and Rice were lightly dealt in, though buyers had any exciting advantage. Sugars and Molasses were in good demand,—the former at rather easier, and the latter at somewhat firmer rates.

Stock of Coffee in Boston, Nov. 1.

	1856.	1857.
Total, bags	18,475	19,674

Stock of Molasses in Boston, Nov. 1.

	1856. Hhds.	1856. Bbls.	1857. Hhds.	1857. Bbls.
Totals	5,000	—	6,578	1,550

Baltimore Sugar Trade Statistics, Nov. 1.

	1856. Hhds.	1856. Bags.	1856. Boxes.	1857. Hhds.	1857. Bags.	1857. Boxes.
Imports in October	2,372	110	2,422	1,954	—	1,512
Imports from Jan. 1 to Nov. 1	46,251	33,800	14,238	25,938	48,158	1,512
Stock Nov. 1	1,828	—	—	4,168	—	1,022

Baltimore Molasses Trade Statistics.

	1856. Hhds.	1856. Tcs.	1856. Bbls.	1857. Hhds.	1857. Tcs.	1857. Bbls.
Imports in October	23	65	—	49	—	—
Imports from Jan. 1 to Nov. 1	2,469	2,671	14,735	6,650	3,823	7,785
Stock Nov. 1	100	210	600	1,068	1,200	2,066

With less extensive receipts and sales, we have to report no important change in prices of Hay. We quote Bale at from 45c.@75c. ℔ 100 lbs.; Loose at from 60c.@67½c. ℔ 100 lbs., and $12@$15 ℔ ton; and Salt Hay at from 30c.@40c. ℔ 100 lbs. Straw is in light supply and demand, including bale, at 50c.@55c. ℔ 100 lbs.; and bundle at $2 75@$4 50 ℔ 100 sheaves. Bale Hay was selling in Portland, Me., on the 9th inst., at $11@$13 ℔ ton. In Baltimore, on the 9th, Hay was very scarce and in good demand, bringing very freely $16@$18 ℔ ton or bale, and $12@$15 for Loose Hay. Straw was selling at $17 for Rye, and $10@$12 ℔ ton for Wheat. In Alexandria, Va., on the 9th, Bale Hay was selling 62½c.@75c. ℔ cwt. In Mobile, on the 5th, there was a dull market for Hay, holders awaiting better prices. Some 300 bales remained in the Bay unsold. Sales had been made at 60c.@$1 ℔ cwt. from wharf, and $1 25 from store, at retail. In Charleston, S. C., during the week ending the 6th inst., 3,000 bales were received, which depressed prices to 55c.@67½c. ℔ 100 lbs. The bulk of the receipts were disposed of at 65c. ℔ 100 lbs. Among the receipts were 500 bales Eastern, which had been sold to arrive at $1, but as the quality did not come up to the expectation of the purchaser the sale was annulled, and it was subsequently sold at something under this figure. In New-Orleans, on the 3d inst., about 2,300 bales old Western (sound) were sold from warehouse by auction at $17 80@$18, all, however, except a few small lots, at $17 50 ℔ ton.

Hemp, Hops and Grass Seeds continue very quiet, without any remarkable change in prices.

Tobacco is inactive, yet holders seem less eager to sell, and more steadiness is discernible in this market. The Baltimore market was lightly supplied, and was inactive, during the week. The inspections there for the week were 286 hhds. Maryland, and 4 hhds. Ohio. The Richmond market was brisker during the past week, and prices of all descriptions improved. The closing currency on the 5th inst., was for lugs, 5c.@6c., and for leaf, 7c.@10c., according to quality, ℔ lb.

New-Orleans Tobacco Statement, Nov. 2.

Stock on hand, 1st September, 1857, hhds	13,606
Arrived since	503
Total	14,099
Exported to date	7,587
Stock on hand not cleared	7,112

No very important movement can be noticed in other commodities.

Our various market reports, brought up to the latest moment, furnish all necessary additional information in the different departments of business.

Albany Cattle Market.

ALBANY, Monday, Nov. 9, 1857.

Receipts of stock at West Albany for the week ending to-day:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Previous week	1,472	3,000	2,000
		3,550	2,575
Decrease	412	550	1,875
Receipts for the month	3,232	6,550	5,875

The sales to-day were from 4c.@4½c. ℔ lb. for ordinary, and 5c.@6c. for extra. Sheep $3@$4 50. Hogs 4c.@6c. ℔ lb. live weight.

The quality of the Beeves in market to-day was ordinary. About 150 Texas Cattle represented the "scalywag" class. The combination of the different Roads and River Lines has advanced the rates of transportation from Buffalo to New-York to $100 ℔ car, occasioning much indignation upon the part of the drovers.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—Nov. 12.

Before Judge Nelson.

Drake and others vs. Hewson J. Redfield, ex-collector.—This action was brought by the plaintiff to recover $2,624 40, claimed value as excess of duty paid upon sugar.

The evidence for the plaintiff showed that the appraisement had been made by the appraiser and officers, in the usual manner. The case perhaps only one item should be contested. The evidence for the defendant showed that the plaintiff had waived their rights to have the sugar appraised by the Chinese Bureau, and agreed to accept the appraisement of the samples; also, that they were asked if they had other samples to produce, and they replied that they had not.

Under the instructions of the Court to the Jury, the plaintiff's counsel agreed to a nonsuit.

MARINE COURT—THURSDAY, Oct. 12.

Before Judge Vanderpoel.

Henry Merack vs. Carl Hedrick.—This suit was for criminal intimacy. Plaintiff is a servant, and defendant keeper of a drug-store. Both are Germans, and both were examined. The Jury returned a sealed verdict for the defendant, on the ground of consent.

Trial of Rodgers for the Murder of Swanston, in Tenth-Avenue.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Recorder Barnard.

The Court-room was very crowded to-day, as it was announced that the trial of James Rodgers, for the murder of John Swanston, would certainly take place. Owing, however, to the absence of Mr. Andrews, one of the counsel engaged to defend him, it was not commenced till 1 o'clock. In the meantime, James Ware was tried for burglary on the store of Comery & Kirk, No. 289 Front-street, and stealing therefrom two pipes of lard, on the night of Oct. 31. He was arrested the same night, with one of the pipes on his shoulder. He was a mere youth, and the Jury, taking a merciful view of his case, convicted him of petit larceny only. Sentence reserved.

James Rodgers was then placed at the bar. His appearance is somewhat improved since he was arrested. He is only 17 years of age, and, although rowdyish in appearance, is not of a desperate aspect. He took his seat by the side of his Counsel, Messrs. Andrews and Kellogg. About an hour was consumed in procuring a Jury, a large number having formed or expressed an opinion as to the prisoner's guilt, and being thereby disqualified for acting as jurors. At length the following gentlemen were impanneled:

Robert H. Drake, hatter, No. 6 Bowery.
Henry Aught, seal and blind maker, No. 152 West Thirty-fifth-street.
Wm. T. Fiskney, Jr., cutlery, No. 45 Beekman-street.
Joseph C. Lewis, shoemaker, No. 105 Third-avenue.
Henry Ogden, Jr., merchant, No. 19 West Eleventh-street.
Robert J. Brown, Jr., gentleman, No. 200 Fourth-street.
Wm. B. Mann, druggist, No. 298 Broadway.
Abraham J. Hardenburgh, builder, No. 10 East Eighteenth-street.
Hiram Wisner, shipjoiner, No. 326 Fourth-street.
Henry S. VanWinkle, hardware, No. 79 Barclay.
Amasa Spring, commission merchant, Washington Market.
Wm. C. Barnes, iron-ware manufacturer, No. 173 Suffolk-street.

Mr. Hall, the District-Attorney, briefly stated the case to the jurors. It was one of those cases that did not require the aid of rhetoric. A plain and simple statement would be most effective. On the night of Oct. 17, Mr. John Swanston was returning with his wife from market, where they had been to make their purchases. They were planning, it might be, happy schemes for the future, being in enjoyment of all domestic felicity, ignorant that the angel of death was already hovering over them. There came a casual encounter with the prisoner, some harried words, a blow from a knife, and death. One or two fellows rudely jostle against Mrs. Swanston, and one says to her husband, "What are you saying?" This boy, the prisoner, then leaps at Swanston, strikes him with a weapon and runs away. Swanston attempts to pursue him, runs a few steps and falls dead. The boy is not heard of for some days, and is at last caught in New-Jersey. Such was the brief outline of a terrible tragedy of only a few minutes' duration.

The first witness called was

Dr. Eben Hassel, examined by the District-Attorney.—I am a physician; I reside at No. 71 West Thirty-seventh-street, corner of Sixth-avenue; I made a *post-mortem* on the body of John Swanston; I found an incised wound on the body; it was on the junction of the cartilage of the fifth rib with the breast bone; the direction of the wound was upwards, inwards and backwards, a little to the left; its depth was about three inches; I should think the wound was caused by a sharp instrument with a narrow blade, at least three inches long, probably more; the width was not more than five-eighths of an inch; the artery of the heart was penetrated; that wound, undoubtedly, was the cause of death.

Cross-examined by Mr. Andrews.—The wound was not five inches deep; to the best of my knowledge it was three inches deep; there were no other wounds upon the body; deceased was an ordinary sized man; I never saw him alive; it is probable that the party who gave the blow stood on the right side of deceased; I can only say the wound was inflicted with a sharp instrument; my opinion was that it was inflicted with the ordinary blade of a dirk; I made the examination at the request of Coroner Hills.

Margaret Swanston, examined by District-Attorney.—I am the widow of the deceased; I had been in market with my husband; we were coming down Twenty-first-street towards Tenth-avenue; my husband had a lantern in his right hand; I was leaning against his left hand; I had a basket in my hand; we heard some loud talking of boys before we turned the corner of the street into the avenue; my husband was nearest the curb, and my husband nearest three young men who were talking; we were going to Twenty-seventh-street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenue; I was pushed against by one of these young men; they all passed by us, and went across the avenue; one of them asked my husband what he was saying to me; my husband replied, "What is that to you?" another of the young men said to the one who had spoken to us, "They are not talking to you;" they went on a few paces, and one of them turned to come back, and was going to strike my husband; the others tried to hold him back, but he sprang from them and struck my husband; he then ran off across the street, and never stopped at all; he struck my husband in the breast as he stood sideways towards him; he did not say anything when he struck my husband; my husband cried, "Oh, I am murdered," and ran after him; he reached the middle of the street and fell.

The appearance of Mrs. Swanston, who was deeply attired in black, and who gave her evidence in a very impressive manner, caused considerable sensation in Court. She did not shed tears, but seemed bowed down by a tremendous grief.

Cross-examined.—My husband and I were talking about the lantern he was carrying; I did not hear my husband make any comment on the conduct of the young man who pushed against me; the young man who struck my husband did not do so in consequence of any remark my husband made about him; the night was a middling dark night; our lantern was not burning; I distinctly saw the three young men; I did not see their features so distinctly that I could recognize them afterwards; neither my husband or myself had any knowledge of the accused.

To the District-Attorney.—The boy who struck the blow had on a kind of dirty drab coat; the other boys had dark coats on; it was about a little before 10 o'clock.

Dr. Robert Rae, examined by the District-Attorney.—I live on Tenth-avenue, two doors from Twenty-first-street; I heard the cry of "Murder!" at the time in question; I was in my room; I raised up my window and looked out; I saw three men running down the avenue; one was a little behind the other; I saw him best; he was dressed in a drab coat and dark pants; I saw a man lying in the street; I put on my coat and went out; he was quite dead when I went across to him.

Daniel Cunningham, examined by the District-Attorney.—In October last I lived in Tenth-avenue; I knew the prisoner from about two weeks before that deed was committed; it was done on Saturday night; I saw Rodgers coming up Seventeenth-street; another boy, named McGibney, was with him; they were going towards Eighth-avenue; Rodgers had on a drab coat, like a fireman's coat, and a cap; Rodgers was the biggest of us three; I joined them; Rodgers asked me to go and have a drink; we went down Seventeenth-street and had some beer; afterwards we went up Eighth-avenue as far as Twenty-first-street, then went up to Thirty-fourth-street, and down Ninth-avenue to Twenty-fifth-street, and got some more beer; Rodgers wanted to go down Twenty-sixth-street, and the other boy wouldn't go; we went down town to Twenty-second-street, and met a boy who fired an apple at Rodgers; we came down Tenth-avenue to Twenty-first-street; Rodgers was drunk, and we were trying to get him home; a man and woman was coming along, and Rodgers staggered up against them; he knocked up against the woman, and the man turned back and made some remark; the other boy, McGibney, told the man to go along and never mind, because Rodgers was drunk; I believe the man "made a crack" at Rodgers, but did not hit him; then we got into a kind of fight, and we got Rodgers away; Rodgers got away from us, stepped aside, and fought with the man; Rodgers made blows at him; Rodgers ran away; we walked away; I did not see anything in Rodgers's hand when Rodger's left the man, the man screamed out "Murder!" and tried to run after him; Rodgers ran up town, and we walked down town to Nineteenth-street; I don't know how many glasses Rodgers drank that night; he must have had some before I saw him; I am sixteen years old.

Cross-examined by Mr. Andrews.—The night in question was the second time I had ever been with Rodgers; I was arrested three days after, on Tuesday morning; I was told by the policeman that if I would come forward and testify I would not be prosecuted; *he told me I must tell the truth about it*; I had on a dark coat and pants; McGibney had on a felt cap; I did not know the man was dead till Sunday morning; I kept pretty much in the house afterwards; the fight between the man who was killed and Rodgers lasted about a minute; the man struck Rodgers first; he said to Rodgers, for shoving against his wife: "What did you do that for?" the other boy answered Rodgers because he was drunk; I had a dispute with a man and woman in Twenty-fifth-street; I did not try to rob the man; I did not see a knife in either of the boy's hands that night; I have worked with a cracker baker; Rodgers was so drunk that he could hardly walk; we were talking loud, and he was trying to get away from us who'n he shoved against the lady.

Clark S. Dunning, examined by the District-Attorney.—I live at No. 109 Tenth-avenue, in the same house with Dr. Rae; I heard the cry of "murder" as the window was raised; I saw a man and woman, and three young men; either the man or woman had a basket; the man had a lantern, which was not lighted; the boys passed down Tenth-avenue on the opposite side to Twenty-first-street; Rodgers was the biggest of the three; the others, he was on a drab-looking dark coat and dark pantaloons; his shirt, I think, was red, like a fireman's; he appeared to be with the other boys; they were seen a couple of times from the man and woman; the large boy appeared to have some difficulty with the man; all that I heard said was from one of the smaller boys, who said, "Don't meddle with the man;" the two boys dressed in dark passed down the avenue; I lost sight of them in the shade of the trees; one of them turned to go down Twenty-first-street towards the

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

[illegible] by way of New-Orleans, that the [illegible] with the California mails of [illegible] and over a million in treasure, left [illegible] on the 10th inst. The *Granada* [illegible] of New-Orleans we [illegible] the transmission of the California [illegible] for this morning's TIMES.

The [illegible] Steamer, now fully due at this port, with European news to the 31st ult., was [illegible] at Sandy Hook at 11 o'clock last night.

In the face of the peaceful intentions expressed [illegible] General CASS, General WALKER [illegible] Wednesday took his departure from New-Orleans, with his military staff, and [illegible] hundred men, besides a considerable [illegible] the *Fashion* to join him at some point in the Gulf of Mexico. WALKER appeared in the United States District Court in the morning, and gave [illegible] for examination on the 17th, and in [illegible] he embarked in the Mobile mail [illegible] o'clock on the morning of Wednesday, [illegible] search by the United States Marshal, the [illegible] WALKER got off with a body of men, and [illegible] quantity of arms, ammunition, and provisions, [illegible] the mail boat, and took [illegible] WALKER and his party, and immediately [illegible] for their destination.

[illegible] of the disastrous effects of the freshets [illegible] the late heavy rains continue to reach us [illegible] the Central Railroad are [illegible] and it will probably take several [illegible] to repair damages. Up the Genesee Valley [illegible] of property has been very great—[illegible] bridges and timber being swept [illegible] the head of the [illegible] all the streets are washed [illegible] in these yesterday was six or [illegible] feet deep. All the villages on the line [illegible] are badly damaged, and the Canal is [illegible] so to render its repair this [illegible] impossible.

[illegible] annual meeting of the State Temperance Society [illegible] at Albany yesterday. Mr. DELAVAN, [illegible] the Presidency, delivered an address [illegible] by a financial report exhibiting [illegible] of the Society to the Treasury, [illegible] amounting to about $6,000, he [illegible] General JOSEPH S. SMITH was elected [illegible] for the ensuing year.

[illegible] Market showed much strength yesterday [illegible] the highest figures known [illegible] Flour, there is however, [illegible] The [illegible] yesterday was not good, [illegible] of any important article, yet the growing ease in the [illegible] of the disposition to speculate for [illegible] the usual dullness on such [illegible] A further improvement was also [illegible] in the domestic exchanges; while the value of gold, in exchange for our State and City securities, was only 1@1 per cent. premium.

The Wholesale Produce Markets yesterday, were [illegible] brisk for the leading kinds of Breadstuffs, and available supplies of which were less [illegible] Nearly all the Cotton here having been [illegible] yesterday, the day's business was limited, and prices were nominal. The Provision trade [illegible] but factors had any existing adv[illegible] The transactions in Groceries were [illegible] and prices were quoted steady. No remarkable change occurred in Freights.

The Mayor and Comptroller yesterday signed warrants for $90,000 to be expended on the Central Park, which will enable the Commissioners to proceed immediately.

A small and disorganized body of poor people [illegible] employment met yesterday morning in [illegible] square, and hung loosely around during [illegible] hours. Two or three speeches of a very [illegible] were made, and Mrs. BOWER delivered an [illegible] crowd her stupendous plans of gain and profit, in which she was to have one [illegible] and the great masses she designed to benefit, the other.

The Board of Aldermen last evening concurred [illegible] in confirming the contract [illegible] the stones for five years to FOBBES & [illegible] $[illegible] a year. A communication was received from D. D. COMPYN, Esq., as Street [illegible] in relation to his Department, and [illegible] a large number of laboring men [illegible] to lose employment during the Winter.

[illegible] Board of Councilmen last evening, some [illegible] occurred between Councilmen WAGNER [illegible] during a debate as to the propriety [illegible] the Committee of the Whole from [illegible] of assessment lists. An [illegible] to discharge the Committee of all [illegible] was negatived. A vote of concurrence with [illegible] resolution to refund to STEPHEN [illegible] his expenses, was lost for lack of a [illegible] vote—it being 27 Ayes to 7 Nays. It was moved to reconsider, and then laid on the table, the best disposition that Mr. BRAMEN's friends could make of it in so thin a house.

The County Canvassers met yesterday and finished up the returns of the Tenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, and Nineteenth Wards, making eight Wards already completed. The daily dinners of previous years being cut off, and pay limited to ten hours, the canvass will doubtless be brought to an early close—not lengthened out through a month as heretofore. Comparing the returns as submitted to the canvassers and the County Clerk respectively, in all the Canvassers are doing at present. When they come to foot up the aggregate returns, and find gross discrepancies, there may be some footing in their proceedings.

The trial of JAMES RODGERS for the murder of John SWANSON in the Tenth-avenue, Oct. 27, was commenced yesterday in the Court of General Sessions. It will probably be concluded to-day. The prisoner, RODGERS, charged with so heinous and [illegible] a crime, is only a boy of 17 years of age. He has by no means a ruffianly appearance, and seems to feel very fully the awfulness of the situation in which he is placed.

[illegible], for the murder of [illegible], was before the Supreme Court yesterday at Trenton, N. J. That part of the bill of exceptions alleging that the *habeas corpus* had been denied, (the Judge below had invaded the province of the jury, in stating the facts against the prisoner, and in giving partial views of the evidence, were admitted out, and the counsel required to make a new argument of errors. The argument was resumed to-day.

[illegible] from Circuit Court yesterday, [illegible] on all judgments in revenue [illegible] cases, until intelligence can be had [illegible] as to whether the Treasury will pay them.

The Parish will-case was before the Surrogate [illegible] the entire day (the third) was occupied [illegible] in defence of the will.

[illegible] WAINWRIGHT delivered a lecture [illegible] to a crowded audience, at the Mercantile Library Room, in aid of the MERMOON [illegible] Fund. The subject was "The Ship and Sailor of Antiquity."

[illegible] Concerts.—The Albany party performed [illegible] with [illegible] and [illegible] at the Academy of Music last evening, [illegible] the Mayor of New-York [illegible] yet to be shooted by the citizens of New-York.

Utah and the Union.

We have no desire to generate a national crusade against the institutions of the Mormon delusion. Gross and odious as are the practices in which the adherents of that wretched people find expression, it would be equally unworthy of our higher civilization and of our purer faith, if we should seek to obliterate their errors by exterminating themselves. The duty of the American Government in the matter of Mormonism is, it seems to us, perfectly simple, although it may prove to be seriously difficult of execution. We are called upon to restrain and not to coerce; to abate the flagrant nuisances of the Mormon society without assailing the foolish theories of the Mormon creed. Extending over their modern "City of the Plains" just so much of the authority of the national law as shall suffice to suppress extravagances of public licentiousness, unparalleled since the ancient day when the wrath of Heaven smote those other "Cities of the Plain" by the salt shores of the Dead Sea of Palestine, we must leave the elevation of the popular mind and the purification of the popular temper in Utah to the salutary offices of those great powers which are everywhere improving the condition and ennobling the aspirations of mankind. But we must vindicate our position with as much of decision as of moderation. We must teach the Prophets and the Elders of this extraordinary sect their true relations to the sovereignty of the nation whose protection they claim and whose territory they inhabit. We must strike down with a firm hand the pretensions of this vulgar Islam to an independence of the Union, and an empirium in imperio.

This the Government of Mr. BUCHANAN has resolved to do; and it was with this object that an expedition was fitted out during the Summer to proceed across the Plains and occupy in force the territory of the "Saints." The President and his advisers were well informed of the serious nature of the step which they were taking. They did not disguise from themselves the danger of provoking, on the part of the Mormon High-Priest and Governor, BRIGHAM YOUNG, a fierce and obstinate resistance to any assertion of an authority superior to his own. And, knowing well that this reckless and fanatical person held in his hands the control of a considerable body of men, devoted to his interests, familiar with border warfare, and rarivaled in the use of the border weapons, the President wisely prepared himself for the contingencies of a downright war, as well as the chances of a campaign.

The latest news from the Plains proves that the anticipations of those who expected the worst from the folly and the fury of BRIGHAM YOUNG and his people are likely to be more than realized. It is rumored that the Artillery and the Infantry of the Expedition were going into Winter quarters—that the Cavalry were involved in the early snow-storms of the exposed country, over which they are marching, and that the Mormons had attacked and destroyed three Government trains, consisting of seventy-five wagons, at a distance of ninety miles in the rear of the vanguard of the American forces. This news, if true, is doubly important. It indicates, in the first place, that the Mormons, relying upon the strength of their positions and upon the guerrilla qualities of their troops, mean to take the offensive; and in the second place, that the expedition now marching against them can only be expected to take and hold some advantageous advanced post, where it must be reinforced in the Spring by a much more numerous contingent. In a word, the possibility of a war between Utah and the Union is rapidly ripening into a probability.

Officers of the National Army recently returned from the central region of the Continent give it out as their firm conviction that the Mormons have deliberately made up their minds to fight. Their riflemen are numerous and hardy—their country is not easy of access, and they are supported by the sympathies of an industrious population, and by that most dangerous of motive powers—a passionate popular conviction that they are the representatives of the host of Heaven, the "chosen of the Lord."

At this juncture of affairs it may speedily become a question how far the national authorities will be justified in interrupting the transit of recruits and the transmission of all sorts of resources to a quarter from which overt rebellion is so shortly to be looked for, if it be not even now raging there in full force. The Mormon population is constantly reinforced from the States of Northern Europe as well as from our own Atlantic border, and complicated as the matter is with many important considerations, it would really seem to be time that our Government should take some steps towards discovering what its opportunities are, for intercepting the communications between the centre of Mormonism in Utah and its outlying posts on both sides of the ocean.

REFORMING THE CREDIT SYSTEM.—The recent movement of the Hardware Dealers, which had for its object the regulation of the credit system, does not appear to have been responded to by any other class of our merchants. The Dry Goods Jobbers, being by far the largest class of our local traders, have it in their power to give laws to the jobbing interest, but they have given no signs of any determination to make a combined movement to interfere with the natural course of business. They probably think it the better way for each merchant to manage his own affairs in his own way, without binding himself down to any particular course of action.

Besides, it may be deemed a rather inopportune moment to restrict the term of mercantile credits, just when so many of the merchants are demanding an extension of credit for their own convenience. At least one-half of the merchants of the City have been obliged to ask for "extensions," postponing their payments six, twelve, and eighteen months, to enable them to go on with their business. What they are asking of the importers and commission houses they are themselves compelled to yield to their out-of-town customers; so that, instead of a system of short credits being adopted by our merchants, as one of the checks to over-trading and extravagance, a system of longer credits has, in fact, been forced upon them by sheer necessity.

These endeavors to regulate everything by general agreement are absurd, and will always be fruitless. Men resort to them, when they are in trouble, because they think something must be done. But when affairs are smooth again, every man does what he sees best, and on such terms as he thinks most advantageous to himself; and we prophesy this will continue to be the case, in spite of these spasmodic attempts to change the regular currents of trade.

Walker's Departure for Nicaragua.

A telegram from New-Orleans informs us that General WILLIAM WALKER has started for Nicaragua. He appears to have effected his departure in a calm, orderly, and business-like way. The General himself, with his staff and three hundred men, left on Wednesday afternoon in the mail-boat, ostensibly for Mobile. He had, however, pre-arranged an excellent plan, and was under no fears for its interruption. As soon as the boat reached Mobile Bay, WALKER and his men were transferred to a steamer in waiting and already supplied with arms and ammunition. The Filibuster steamer immediately took her departure, and most people—Government officials always excepted—suppose that her destination is Nicaragua.

On the morning of the same day that WALKER left New-Orleans, the steamer *Fashion*, heavily laden with arms, ammunition and provisions, got away from the same port. She, too, cleared for Mobile, and, with all proper submission to the law, she allowed herself to be searched by a United States Marshal. No contraband goods were discovered—no Minié rifles, mortars, powder, shot, or other implements of war. No suspicious-looking characters were noticed on board, though the *Fashion* did actually carry away a large body of WALKER's recruits.

Some persons imagine that the *Fashion* has gone for the Texas Regiment, which, together with the force under WALKER's immediate command will, we suppose, form the advance-guard of the army of invasion. The rest will follow under the guidance of General HERNDERS and Captain FARRAGUT. WALKER is now fairly beyond the reach of interference from United States authorities, and we may expect to hear, within a month's time, of the recommencement of hostilities in Central America. Costa Rica lately seized the whole of the San Juan River, and garrisoned its forts with her own men. The step cannot be justified on legal grounds, but it was not taken at all too soon for her own self-preservation. It will be with the Costa Ricans, and, perhaps, with some contingents from the South American Republics of Chili and Peru, that WALKER will have to contend. But we must await the development of the campaign, now fairly opened, and of the plans of the Filibuster Chief.

The departure of the *Fashion*, laden with arms and ammunition of war, is a curious comment on General WALKER's letter to Secretary CASS, dated the 20th of September last, and published in the TIMES of the 9th inst. In that document the General, "with scorn and indignation," denied the charge that he intended to violate any laws of the United States. We do not exactly see how he can reconcile this statement with his present action. But, be that as it may, our Government appear to have had an abiding and confiding faith in the simplicity and honesty of WALKER's purpose. He is arrested in New-Orleans as soon as his plans are matured, and then admitted to bail in the sum of $2,000—a sum which he would not hesitate to forfeit whenever it interfered with the execution of his designs. He is allowed to go on board the Mobile boat with three hundred of his followers, when it is a matter of public notoriety that a steamer is in the offing, waiting to convey him to Nicaragua. His steamer, the *Fashion*, is permitted to carry off arms and ammunition for an army; and yet the United States Marshal, who searched her before she cleared, could see no occasion for the interference of his services. And, to crown all, the United States steamer *Fulton* remains quietly out of sight, in order that the filibusters may have a fair start.

After this, we do not see how the Government authorities can pretend that they have done all in their power, or even in any way attempted, to prevent the second invasion of Nicaragua by General WALKER. They would act a much more manly part by confessing at once that they are his accomplices, both before and after the fact.

Our Mobs.

As might have been anticipated, the needless alarm of our Federal officers for the safety of the Government funds deposited here, and the requisition for a detachment of United States Marines to guard the public treasure, have caused a good deal of sarcastic comment from our neighboring cotemporaries. It has been very correctly assumed that we were a good deal more frightened than hurt, and that calling upon the national militia to guard the property, which ought to have been taken care of by the local police, was establishing a very bad example. Undoubtedly it was; but, if the officers of the Government who were responsible for the safe keeping of the public funds had any reason to apprehend an attack upon the Custom-House vaults or the Assay Office, perhaps they took the most effectual means to prevent such an occurrence by sending for a company of Marines to intimidate the mob. It does not follow, as some of our alarmed neighbors seem to apprehend, that hereafter United States soldiers are to be placed on duty at all the Sub-Treasuries, Mints, Custom-Houses and Post-Offices in the country to protect the national property. The local authorities have, heretofore, always been found sufficiently powerful to make the call for United States soldiers wholly uncalled for. Marshal RYNDERS, having had practical opportunities for knowing the nature of New-York mobs, may have permitted himself to be unduly excited; but the fact that no demand was made for the State militia by the civic authorities is sufficient proof that no fears were entertained of a serious outbreak by the Police Commissioners, or the citizens at large.

In reality, the mob-spirit which has thus far manifested itself has been of the most inoffensive character. A talking and shouting mob that parades the streets with music and banners is not the sort of mob to create any serious fray. Those whom there is the greatest cause to fear are the quiet and undemonstrative plotters of mischief who meet in secret places, and take care to excite no suspicions by their conduct. If we had no worse outbreaks among us than the noisy breathers who have held meetings in Tompkins-square and in front of the City Hall and elsewhere, there would be very little cause for alarm. Even the organized mob protecting opacity and by prearrangement to commit depredations upon either public or private property in this City, is not very likely to occur.

Our country neighbors who have been alarmed at the reports of mobs in our streets, may dismiss all apprehensions of danger to their persons or property when they come to the City; our police force, small as it is, is in excellent working order, and all the business of the City is conducted with quite as much regularity as usual. Such of the rash as have been demanding bread or work, will be supplied with bread if they have a disposition to labor for it, and if they should make any attempts to take it by unlawful means, the regular authorities are quite sufficient to put them down.

Failure of Socialism.

Our "institutions" seem every little while to be tumbling about our ears. The mob demonstrations of the past week have convinced a great many very respectable people that Republicanism is a failure—and that we must have a "strong" Government, especially for cities. They expect to see our streets filled with corpses, and the gutters running blood, before the Winter is over. There may be ground for uneasiness, as there is certainly provocation for discontent, at the working of our municipal machinery;—but the apprehensions of the timid exaggerate the danger and unduly disparage the operations of our institutions.

It is certainly a circumstance which ought to afford some encouragement, that the most vehement and zealous efforts of the radical agitators whose movements have more than once set Europe in a blaze, utterly fail to infuse their spirit into the public mind or obtain toleration for their doctrines. Even in times of universal distress, like the present, when lack of employment and actual hunger might fairly be expected to predispose the minds of the laboring classes to a favorable reception of any sentiments which hold out the promise of relief, it is impossible to convince the mass of our people that "property is robbery,"—that it is the duty of the City government to feed and clothe the population, or that it would be either right or safe to resort to plunder and pillage as a means of relieving their present or prospective distress. The most impassioned exhortations of the most furious of the socialist orators in the Park and Tompkins-square, have excited a good deal more ridicule than passion in the crowds that heard them.

The fact is, what seem to be the *defects* of our institutions are in some respect their strength. The liberty of unlicensed talk is with us the escape-pipe for all dangerous humors of the body politic. Where men are stopped from talking by the bayonet and the musket, they brood over their wrongs, and work themselves up to a point of indignation at which only a spark is needed to cause an explosion. Steady and constant repression is sure to generate perilous passions, while freedom of speech and of general action prevents any such gathering of pecuant humors. So long as men can vent their complaints in addresses and resolutions, and public harangues, there is very little danger of their resorting to anything worse. The contest becomes domestic. They differ among themselves, and very soon exhaust in wordy strife, upon points of principle, the energy and zeal which might be dangerous if turned in other directions.

The recent Park meetings illustrate this. For three or four days the harangues of the socialist orators seemed very alarming; but they soon found it impossible to agree among themselves. The German communists could not accept the doctrines of the Irish;—the Irish were not prepared to adopt the ultra violent measures of the Germans,—and the few Americans among them speedily became equally disgusted with both. The result was a distinct and decided split among themselves,—and this, of course, put an end to the whole movement.

The American mind is not accessible to the Socialistic theories which create so much alarm, because they are received with so much favor on the Continent. Every attempt hitherto made to preach Owenism, Fourierism, Fanny Wrightism, or Socialism, in any form, has proved in the end a wretched failure. The temper of the people is against it. It is impossible to innoculate the body politic with any form of this disease;—the virus will not take.

THE POLICE COMMISSION.—The world turns on its axis again! After an interregnum of over four months, the Police Commission is again in working order. Mr. PRESTIMAN PERIT accepts the place, and the note in which this is signified to the public indicates a purpose on his part to devote himself with fidelity and rigor to the discharge of its duties. The public is deeply indebted to Mayor WOOD for having nominated him. We trust he will find no reason to regret that, or any other equally good act of his administration.

Mr. PERIT goes into the Board without the slightest obligation to any party, with a high character for integrity and public spirit, and with opportunities of rendering the public a valuable and important service which rarely occur to any citizen. We hope to see immediate fruits of his accession to the Board, in the increased vigor, harmony, and efficiency of its action.

THE PUFF DIRECT.—The Daily *News*, speaking of Mayor WOOD, concludes a very long article thus:

"To conclude, he is a man of a statesman-like mind, of the type of ALEXANDER HAMILTON of our own country, and possessing the energy, courage and executive talents of men of the order of William Pitt, of England."

Either the Mayor himself wrote this, or else he will blush when he reads it. We do not know him well enough to judge which is the most probable occurrence.

From Turk's Island.

By the arrival of the brig *Henrietta*, we learn that on Oct. 28 there were remaining at Turk's Island 300,000 bushels salt, most of it in salt-houses. There will be likelihood of any more being gathered this season. About 170,000 bushels have been shipped since Oct. 1. Three vessels in port to load. Price 9½c. Offer. Provisions very scarce.

☞ The College chartered last Winter by the last Legislature of this State, and known as the "Metropolitan Medical College," commenced the sixth session on Tuesday evening, by an address from J. B. Rogers, M. D., Professor of Physiology and Physiology of Woman and Children. Subject, "Vitality."

LATEST INTELLIGENCE

By Telegraph to the New-York Times.

THE NEW NICARAGUAN EXPEDITION.

Departure of Walker and his Men from New-Orleans.

NEW-ORLEANS, Wednesday, Nov. 11.

General WALKER is off for Nicaragua. He appeared in the United States District Court this morning and gave bail to appear for examination on the 17th. This afternoon himself, staff and over 300 men, embarked on board the Mobile mail boat. The steamer *Fashion*, Captain CARMICK, with a portion of his men, and a large quantity of arms, ammunition and provisions, got off at 3 o'clock this morning, having first submitted to a search by the United States Marshal. She cleared for Mobile, and will intercept the mail boat outside, when the whole party will embark in the *Fashion* for Nicaragua. Captain FARRAGUT remains here. General HERNDERS is expected this week.

The United States steamer *Fulton* in the Mississippi is committed.

NEW-ORLEANS, Thursday, Nov. 12.

General WALKER and his men were transferred from the Mobile mail boat to a steamer in waiting in Mobile Bay, with another supply of arms and ammunition. The Filibuster steamer immediately steamed down the Bay, and Walker is considered fairly off.

Nothing had yet been heard of the *Fashion*. Some think she goes for the Texas regiment.

The steamer *Dick Keys*, which took General WALKER from the mail boat in Mobile Bay, has returned to Mobile, having placed the filibusters aboard WALKER's steamer, *Fashion*, which has sailed for Nicaragua. His whole force consists of about 400 men. He has a large quantity of munitions and provisions, enough to last for three to four months, and a thousand stand of arms.

THE CALIFORNIA STEAMER.

Arrival of the Granada at New-Orleans.

The St. Louis at Havana with over $1,000,000.

NEW-ORLEANS, Thursday, Nov. 12.

The steamship *Granada*, from New-York, via Havana, is coming up the river. She brings over half a million in specie, and the California mails of the 20th ult.

The steamship *St. Louis*, with the mails and over $1,000,000, left Havana for New-York on the 10th.

NEW-ORLEANS, Thursday—P. M.

It is rumored that the *Granada* is detained at Quarantine.

News from Kansas.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

ST. LOUIS, Thursday, Nov. 12.

The Lecompton correspondent of the *Republican* says that a majority of the Convention, headed by CALHOUN, MOORE and HARGOUS, proposes to submit the Constitution to the people in the following form, viz: A Constitution with Slavery and a Constitution without Slavery, the vote to be taken about the 20th of December, and every actual resident of that time then to be allowed to vote.

The Leavenworth correspondent of the *Democrat* says that the Constitutional Convention would probably adjourn on the 9th, and that the Constitution will adopt the Dred Scott decision, the Fugitive Slave Law, etc. A proposition for the establishment of a Provisional Government was before the Convention. The Pro-Slavery clause received only four dissenting votes. This clause is the only one which will be submitted to the people, so that no chance is given to vote down the Constitution.

A rumor was current at Leavenworth that Governor WALKER, in conjunction with Gen. A. SAYRES, had purchased several hundred acres of land for the Leavenworth Military Reservation at a nominal figure.

Meeting of the State Temperance Society.

JOSEPH S. SMITH ELECTED PRESIDENT—MR. DELAVAN ASSUMES THE DEBTS OF THE SOCIETY.

ALBANY, Thursday, Nov. 12.

The State Temperance Society held the regular annual meeting in the Assembly Chamber this morning. Prayer was delivered by Rev. Mr. SELYES. The retiring President, E. C. DELAVAN, Esq., in his address, repeats his determination to retire from the office he has so long held, and says that as a reorganization of the Society is about to take place, and in order that his successor in office may enter on the duties free from embarrassment, he will discharge all legal and equitable claims against the Society up to this date—amounting in the aggregate to $3,000. In taking leave of the Society the President expresses his undiminished good-will towards all, whether standing by his side as friends or arrayed against him as opponents. He presented a financial report showing the indebtedness of the Society to the Treasury, and three unpaid credits of the sum of $7,202 62. This amount and $2,000 probably bad debts creditable to the Treasury, he assumed.

General SAYRE, of Ulster, was then called to the Chair.

Mr. ALLEN, of Albany, offered resolutions expressing the sense of the Society of the services of their retiring President—their undiminished confidence in his faithfulness, and their respect and regard for him as a man.

Senator BRAMEN seconded the resolution.

Prof. McCOY spoke in opposition to them, but they were carried by a rising majority, Mr. McCOY, alone, voting against them.

Mr. DELAVAN, in returning thanks, took occasion to allude in kind terms to Professor McCOY, and expressed his regret at that gentleman's course of opposition to him.

Mr. DAY offered a vote of thanks to the Executive Committee. Carried unanimously.

A resolution was adopted that the Society go into a formal vote for President at the afternoon session.

An informal ballot for President was then taken, in order to get names before the Society for consideration. Several persons received votes—among others, Gen. DEAN, John N. WEAVER, and Gen. SAYRE, but all of them declined being candidates.

The Society then adjourned till afternoon.

At the afternoon meeting of the Society, on the first ballot, JOSEPH S. SMITH was elected President of the Society for the ensuing year.

The Nominating Committee then reported the following names as officers:

Vice-Presidents—Dr. H. Corlis, Rev. G. W. Heacock, George Hall, J. J. Knox, James O. Bennett, Charles Hathaway, E. P. Day, and David Wright.

Executive Committee—Hon. G. W. Bradford, of Cortland; James Anthony and Lyman Bennett, of Troy; J. Ames, of Lansingburg; John Foot, of Hamilton; George W. Sterling, of Poughkeepsie; John Reed, of Albany; Rev. L. F. Beecher, of Saratoga; and J. C. Crocker, of Albany.

The report was adopted.

Rev. Mr. JACKSON made a report of his labors in the cause of temperance for the last six months.

The Business Committee reported a series of resolutions, which were adopted, expressing confidence in the eventual triumph of the cause of prohibition and in the officers of the Society; calling upon ministers of churches to endeavor to promote the cause of Temperance among their congregations; recommending the Executive Committee to thoroughly organize the State; recommending quarterly meetings of the Society; indorsing the editorial conference; complimenting Mess. Bow, and condemning in decisive terms any course or action by Temperance men that can lead to discord, division or distraction. The last resolution was opposed by Prof. McCOY and Mr. WM. RUSSELL, but was adopted by a decisive majority.

Other resolutions relating to the advancement of the cause were then adopted, and the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

Non-Arrival of the Arabia.

SANDY HOOK, Thursday, Nov. 12—11 P. M.

The Cunard steamship *Arabia*, from Liverpool the 31st, has not yet been signalized. The weather is clear and calm, and the steamer's lights could be seen at a great distance.

POST-DELIVERY OF THE ARABIA'S NEWS.

ST. JOHN, N. F., Thursday, Nov. 12—Noon.

The *Arabia* has probably passed to the west ward. The weather was clear on Monday, but for most of the greater part of Tuesday and Wednesday a thick fog prevailed. To-day the weather is fine and calm. The gave yard remains at Cape Race in waiting for the mail steamer from Europe per City of Washington from Liverpool 7th instant.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Course of the Administration regarding Mormonism—Mr. SMITH to Minister to Paris—Two Cases of War Claims, Survey—Appointments, Land Warrants, &c.

Special Dispatch to The New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Nov. 12, 1857.

The Cabinet has had our Mormon difficulties under discussion within the last few days, with a view to ascertaining what course can be pursued to compel the Government of Mormon to [illegible] numerous American citizens applied for [illegible] claim has officially been [illegible] American citizens. It seems evident that the policy of forbearance upon which the United States has acted for several years in dealing with our sister Republic, is taken advantage of by that people, and should of leading to corresponding efforts by Congress to give us no cause for further complaint. It gives the penalty to outrage by affording [illegible] which will follow it. Mr. BUCHANAN is determined to check this contagion. If it can be done, and it is not improbable that he will send of the [illegible] to Nicaragua.

Senator SUMNER is confined to his room for [illegible] months ago I publish you that he would [illegible] Mission to France; it was [illegible] induce him to accept the position. He [illegible] appointed Mr. SMITH, but it is [illegible] the State of Louisiana is so [illegible] Re-con publish, [illegible] ate, he will go to Paris next Spring. [illegible] formed, is the President's belief. What Mr. [illegible] has been unable to leave the Senate [illegible] ly resist the earnest wishes of the President, [illegible] his warm personal friend. The [illegible] in that event, will have a charming and accomplished representative at the French Court in the person of Mrs. SUMNER, whose elegant dispensation of [illegible] hospitality at Washington, is already proverbial.

The proceedings before the Third Auditor in the case of Ex-Lieutenant Wm. Chase Barney, continue to excite much comment in the City and out of it. The attempt of the Government to [illegible] tigation of the substance which [illegible] officer and his wife receive [illegible] considered a violation of all [illegible] prize in general that the Court [illegible] it for a moment. What possible [illegible] domestic relations of a man, in [illegible] the question of his present moral, physical and [illegible] legal qualifications as an officer in the Navy, [illegible] If the Naval Courts decline to bring [illegible] ceedings the universal district, not to say [illegible] of the community, and to raise popular sympathy in behalf of the officers on trial, it seems to me [illegible] only to prejudge the course [illegible] ter's case. The President, to whom [illegible] the question as to the propriety of the [illegible] which Mr. BARNEY objects, has not, as far as I know, given any decision in the case. The Court today examined witnesses for the Government, on parte.

Ex-President PIERCE has [illegible] Washington [illegible] offering himself and wife a passage to [illegible] Pacific. They will [illegible] of the month.

Dr. W. W. BARNY, newly appointed Minister to Bogota, is stopping here [illegible] next week. Col. FREMONT, United States Senator from Cass, is also here.

Miss SOPHIA SMITH contest [illegible] success. The Senate [illegible] the appointment of Mr. SMITH [illegible] plicant before Judge [illegible] in the town country. Among the [illegible] were Fremont, [illegible] Lord Napier [illegible] Hotel [illegible] in the company, who were [illegible]

I am permitted to make the following [illegible] letters received by Secretary Brown, in date, from Arizona, dated Tucson, Oct. 2, 1857:

"We are much pleased to have the prospect for Arizona is bright. If you should succeed in getting a separate Territorial organization for the Pacific, you will lay the people under many obligations to you which they will not forget when the opportunity shall offer or their services be required. You have, no doubt, received many petitions for Congress, and also your certificate of election as Delegate to Congress from this Territory. There was no difference of opinion. You received the entire vote."

Another letter says: "The people believe you can do more for them than any other man, and will do it. We have heard from Mesilla, and they fully concur with us in all we have done, and they are going to send on to Congress a document showing that you are the person chosen to act for them and represent their interest in this matter."

"The people here are all astonished at the turn things are taking, and every one seems highly pleased with the course you have pursued. The country is being settled very fast, and there is somewhat of a rush in order to obtain the best locations. The lands already under cultivation are worth from fifty per cent. higher than a short time back.

The greatest misfortune we labor under is want of protection. Thousands and thousands of acres of land, as rich and fertile as any on the face of the globe, lie idle and useless, because they are not protected.

You tell me to let you know what we want. We want but one thing besides a separate organization—and that is protection.

There was a petition forwarded to you some time ago for the Postmaster-General, in which your attention is earnestly solicited, as we are at present without Post-Office or Postmaster.

"I learn that the Postmaster-General has contracted for a Post-Office at Tucson, with Mean Amenas as Postmaster. Tucson is the principal town in the centre of the New Territory, on the line of the overland mail route to California."

There are surmises here that General WALKER has started from New-Orleans for Tucson, to take part in the contentions there, and that thence he will make a descent upon Nicaragua.

[FROM THE REPORTER FOR THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Nov. 12.

The following table, prepared by Messrs. SWEENY, RAMSDELL, PARR & Co., from data obtained from the Pension and General Land offices, exhibits the condition of the Bounty Land business under the various acts, up to Sept. 30, 1857:

Acts.	No. warrants issued.	Acres thereby.	No. warrants unlocated.	Acres thereby.	No. warrants located.	Acres thereby.
1847.....	97,718	12,120,716	68,120	12,000,000	29,598	1,848,716
1850.....	126,027	19,154,000	88,320	13,716,000	38,020	5,438,000
1852.....	11,978	1,920,000	4,800	768,000	7,178	1,152,000
1855.....	174,304	28,116,000	120,104	19,216,000	54,200	8,900,000
Selected.						
1856.....	9,500	380,000	2,000	80,000	500	20,000
Totals	419,626	61,690,716	283,344	46,780,000	129,496	15,358,716

During the year ending about May last there was great activity in the location of land warrants, and yet the above shows that of 29,710,000 acres have been located, the act of 1855, only 15,170,000 acres have been located; leaving still floating in the market 10,000,000 acres. Add to this the number of acres unlocated under other acts and it will be seen that 15,000,000 acres are still outstanding.

The Freezes.

DISASTROUS SWEEP OF WHEELING [illegible]

DELAY OF TRAINS ON THE CENTRAL RAILROAD—GREAT DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY ON THE BROCKPORT LAKE CANAL, &c.

ALBANY, Thursday, Nov. 12.

Letters from several points west, received this morning, bring details of the disastrous effects of the freshets. South passengers have arrived at Rochester. They get down to Albany by way of Troy, and thence connect with the cars on the old track. They had a hard passage. One or two trains have got over the old track, the remainder being transferred from train to train. Western cars come two miles of track.

ROCHESTER, Thursday, Nov. 12.

The breaches by the freshet in the Central Road have not been repaired. The new track is [illegible] speed. Two trains with over 1,000 passengers left here this morning for Syracuse over the old road. The passengers will have to be transferred a mile or more around the breach east of Victor. We have had no Albany mail since Monday morning. The Genesee Valley Road is also obstructed, and passengers cannot reach the Erie Road. It is difficult to estimate the damage by the freshet, as we are still cut off from communication with many of the [illegible]. Up the Genesee Valley the damage [illegible] been immense—bridges, mills, [illegible] and [illegible] have been swept away. A bridge over the Genesee River, ten miles above this city, was swept away this morning with a case upon it, this case [illegible]

...ment when near the city. The Congress is still ...ing here.

ALBANY, Thursday, Nov. 12—P. M.

Trains are now running regularly for the west on the New-York Central Railroad. They go at present by the old road, between Syracuse and Rochester, with but little detention.

LATER.—The trains from Buffalo will be in tonight, all right. Passengers can go through with one transfer.

At Montezuma, at the head of Crooked Lake Canal, all the streets of the village are washed away, and the water in them stands six or seven feet deep. Many buildings have been undermined. All the villages on the line of the Crooked Lake Canal are badly damaged, and the Canal is broken up to render its supply this season impossible. 10,000 bushels of barley and a large quantity of wheat and flour are locked up on the line of this Canal. A letter from Penn Yan states that the rain fell like a deluge from Sunday morning till Tuesday night, and that the freshet is the greatest ever known there.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Thursday, Nov. 12.

The Erie Railroad is now in order between New-York and this place. West of here it is rendered temporarily impassable by the late freshet. Passengers for Great West and the Huron, Canandaigua and Niagara Falls Railroad, which is in perfect order, go through.

NEWSPAPER REPORTS.

During the past week there have been heavy rains throughout the counties on the line of the Erie Canal and Central Railroad west of Syracuse. On Monday morning the canal began rising at all. At Pittsford it flowed over the towpath, and water poured out with such violence, as to a short time to entirely destroy over a hundred feet of the Tow Path. A boat passing at the time was cracked into the current, carried down the rushing Canal. Not only the entire bank of the Canal, but the earth in the bottom, was swept out to the depth of two feet.

A culvert near Palmyra, and of Newark, another and Phelps, also occurred. Fifty feet of the Tow Path are gone to a depth of three feet below the bottom. Of course, all planing of boats is stopped. The damage can hardly be repaired in less than five days.

The freshet is the greatest known in forty years, the high water reaching houses and barns never before touched by it. Nearly the whole track of the Central Railroad, from Weedsport (Cayuga County) to a mile this side of Newark, (Wayne County,) a distance of twenty-five miles, was at one time under water! In some places this water stood at the depth of four feet. The fields were covered by the gushing way of the banks of the Canal, submerging everything in the neighborhood.

At Genesee Falls great injury to property was done; portions of several mills and several mill-dams being carried away.

At and within two miles of Dansville, eight dams and the bridges were carried away last night. The Genesee river is quite as high as it was during the great freshet of 1835, and the water is still rising.

The Flats were deeply submerged, and fences, lumber, &c., were floating about.

Passengers from the East collected in considerable numbers at Syracuse, on Tuesday, waiting an opportunity to go on to the West. No trains left there by the new road. The hotels reaped a profitable harvest by the delay.

The Erie Railroad is much more exposed to damage than the Central, and has suffered much more severely, than the Central. At Elmira, the water in the river rose two feet above the railroad bridge.

The bridge at Corning is washed away, and the place flooded. A number of buildings have been washed away.

The Susquehanna River, at Williamsport, has risen ten feet, and is still rising.

The Cincinnati Commercial says: "The rain poured down in torrents on Saturday. Yesterday the weather was cloudy, with every indication of renewals. The river commenced swelling early on Saturday morning, and up to dark last evening had risen nearly five feet. Licking River poured out in torrents on Saturday, inundating all contiguous property. We do not remember having seen it so turbulent during the past ten years, except on the breaking up of the ice last Winter and the year previous. At Frankfort the Railroad is totally washed out, and it will be at least the course of certain owes it, six or seven feet. Large portions of the road-bed have gone with as to render it impassable. The road is the most disastrous that has yet occurred during the rainy season, during the last week. The Ohio River commenced rising on Tuesday, and continued rising for two days, and is now stationary. Many warehouses along the levee have been broken up, and the goods therein stored have been damaged. Many boats have broken loose from their moorings, and have been carried down the river. Two or three of the coal-boats were locked, and carried and sunk in front of the city. The Covington Ferries, in making their usual crossings, found it very difficult to stem the current of Licking."

Fires.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN CULPEPER, VA.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, Nov. 12.

At about 4 o'clock this morning two newspaper offices and five stores in the village of Culpeper, Va., were destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at $20,000.

FIRE IN LOUISVILLE.

LOUISVILLE, Thursday, Nov. 12.

Messrs. S. P. Dick & Co.'s tobacco factory, in this City, has been destroyed by fire. The loss is fully covered by insurance, principally in Eastern offices.

FIRE AT ATHENS, GA.

ATHENS, Ga., Thursday, Nov. 12.

A cotton factory was destroyed by fire here on Tuesday night. Loss $50,000. No insurance.

Insurance on the Ship Howadji.

BOSTON, Thursday, Nov. 12.

The ship *Howadji*, from Boston for Liverpool, which was struck by lightning on Nov. 2 and lost, was insured here for $142,000, as follows: Merchants' office, $27,500; Boston, $21,000; American, $20,000; Globe, $17,000; Boylston, $17,000; National, $10,000; Mercantile, $6,500; Alliance, $10,000; Franklin, $5,000; New-England Mutual, $700, and Neptune, $400.

The total value of the vessel and cargo was about $150,000.

The *Howadji* was owned by WM. BALCH & Son, of Newburyport, and sailed hence in WARREN & THAYER's line of Liverpool packets.

Steam-Boiler Explosion at Bridgeport, Mass.

BRIDGEPORT, Thursday, Nov. 12.

The steam-boiler in the plumbing establishment of Mr. WARREN BRESS, corner of Water and Gilbert streets, exploded shortly after noon to-day. The first story was occupied by Mr. BRESS himself, and the upper room by Mr. HENRY WAGER, as a coffee and spice mill. The building is a complete wreck. No lives were lost, although two boys were in the building at the time of the explosion. The rest of the hands were at dinner. A portion of a wall smashed in the roof of a billiard saloon adjoining, destroying the tables, &c. The amount of the loss is not yet ascertained.

The Granite Bank of Voluntown.

DANIELSONVILLE, Conn., Thursday, Nov. 12.

The Granite Bank, of Voluntown, Conn., has been injunned by Judge BUTLER, of the Superior Court, and a Receiver appointed on the application of the Bank Commissioners. We are informed by one of the Commissioners that the whole organization of the Bank bears evidence of fraud. The circulation of the Bank is about $60,000, and the nominal capital $100,000. The Commissioners are pursuing the investigation.

Democratic Anti-Walker Meeting in Milledgeville, Ga.

MILLEDGEVILLE, Ga., Wednesday, Nov. 11.

Last night a large Democratic meeting was held here, Governor JOHNSON presiding. Resolutions were passed approving of the Administration of President BUCHANAN, and urging the removal of Governor WALKER. Hon. ALEX. H. STEPHENS addressed the meeting.

The Regular Ballet Troupe in Boston.

BOSTON, Thursday, Nov. 12.

The Regular Ballet Troupe created quite a furore at the Boston Theatre this evening. At least good people were present to witness the performance, and the receipts amounted fully to $1,100.

PAYMENT TO MR. BENDS AT WALTHAM.—The Governors of Mass., N. H., Maine, Governor elect of Massachusetts, gave him a public dinner at Waltham on Tuesday. Over three hundred persons were present. Winner HASTINGS, Esq., president. Mr. BENDS, being called upon for a speech, returned his acknowledgments, and spoke briefly on political subjects. He said he had been somewhat surprised that during the campaign nobody ventured a word of apology for the State Government of the last three years. All unite in pronouncing the Government of the last two or three years unfortunate, to say the least, and had some bills which could be passed, I think there was a little question as to whom the business of correcting the evils should be left. The Democrats pretty effectually settled. (Great applause.) And those to whom the duty is left must perform the duty, and unless they do it, the people of Massachusetts will, and rightly, as they are, will remove them from their stations before they are warned, to seek for ...

Kansas and the Slavery Question—Encouraging Views of the Future.

From the Chicago Times, (the organ of Senator Douglas,) Nov. 10.

The Convention assembled in Kansas to frame a State Constitution is in session, and has framed a large portion of an instrument. The Committee upon the subject of Slavery has reported a provision, which has been adopted by the Convention, though it has yet to be voted on as forming part of the whole. We give the provision entire; it is as follows:

[This clause of the Constitution was published at length in the TIMES of the 10th, and need not now be repeated.]

As there seems to be no doubt of this provision becoming a part of the Constitution, and as *there is a majority of the Convention in favor of submitting the Constitution to the people for ratification or rejection*, we think that there can be *but little doubt as to the fate of such Constitution before the people*. The provision as it is reported, recognizes Slavery as existing legally and in fact in Kansas; it provides that the Legislature shall not emancipate those slaves now there, nor which may hereafter be brought in the Territory, without compensation to the owners. These are trifling matters compared with the next provision, which prohibits the Legislature from passing any law for the prevention of the introduction of slaves by emigrants to the territory.

This amounts to a perpetual invitation and protection to the introduction of Slavery into Kansas. It is virtually an establishment of Slavery as an institution of the State not to be disturbed by any legislative act. We regard such a proposition as fatal to the constitution. The people of Kansas have recently, in a most emphatic manner, decided that they are in favor of the exclusion of Slavery from Kansas. It is idle for the convention to disregard that decision; they cannot hope that the people of Kansas will accept from such a convention a constitution making Slavery a perpetual institution ever which the people through the legislature can never exercise any control. We say the fate of that constitution is already sealed; *the people of Kansas are in power—in the proportion of three to one—if a Free State, they must, a constitution making Kansas a Free State, and they will make sure of one which shall not contain anything which they will not regard null.*

Regarding the constitution, as proposed by this convention, as beyond all possibility of adoption, the question is what will be done next? Kansas has a population justifying an admission into the Union; she has been disturbed for years by the agitation of the question which can only be settled by her admission into the Union. A convention to frame a constitution was called, but the people refused to participate in the election of delegates, and a handful of voters elected the handful of men who compose the present convention. The Free-State men had they resorted to the polls could have elected a convention which would have carried out the wishes of the people; and to-day Kansas might have a constitution forever disposing of the Slavery question. The failure to vote in June last has caused a year's delay. What is to be done? We suppose that upon the meeting of Congress an act will be introduced—an act in the very words of the Minnesota act—authorizing a convention to form a State Constitution. If that act be passed at once, as it should be, Kansas may be a State on the first of May next. If no such act be passed by Congress, or should be delayed, the present Legislature will provide for a convention, at all events a Constitution such as will be acceptable to the people will be prepared and ratified by the people, and will be presented to Congress early in the Spring. Upon that Constitution, thus ratified and approved by the people, Kansas will be admitted. *The Democratic Party stands pledged to admit Kansas without questioning her decision on the Slavery question.* That decision must be made by the people, and once perfectly made, that decision must be regarded be final.

Those men throughout the Union who have so long and earnestly desired the admission of Kansas as a Free State, must now see the consequences of the mad career of LANE and his associates. The refusal to vote at the election of delegates has postponed the admission of Kansas, and endangered her freedom. Had these men voted then, as they did in October, the State of Kansas would now be prepared for admission with a Free-State Constitution, and a Democratic Party in power pledged to her admission. She has now to commence where she did in June last, and elect a Convention in 1857 that might have been elected in 1856.

There is some talk about a revival of the Topeka Constitution—that is mere folly. That Constitution will never be recognized by the country. The friends of Kansas—those who wish to see her people have a free and fair expression of opinion, and that expression freely carried out—hold that Topeka job in detestation. *If the present Convention adopt a Pro-Slavery Constitution, let the people turn out peaceably and vote it down; and leave to a new Convention, to be elected by the people, the pleasing duty of carrying out the will of the majority.* Let the regular legal path be followed, and allow no evil consequences to lead the Territory into more violence and confusion by any treasonable, frequent and short-cut proceedings. Let the people of Kansas remember that they now have it in their power to have a Constitution to suit themselves, and they will be their own worst enemies if they forego that opportunity by taking any further part in the Topeka swindle.

Governor Walker in Kansas—A Slight Difference of Opinion.

From the Providence (R. I.) Journal.

Governor WALKER unquestionably went to Kansas *with the view of making it a Slave State*, if possible, and if not, to make it what *Statesmanship* says is just as good as a Slave State, a Democratic *Free State*. He meant to use in this duty all the personal and official influence of his position, all the management of his crafty intellect, and as much fraud and violence as were necessary to the main purpose, yet not inconsistent with the ultimate good of the Democratic party. He came with the usual professions of the right of the people to decide the question of Slavery or Freedom for themselves, and with the usual pledges to protect the right of suffrage. He commenced by recognizing the bogus Legislature and the bogus laws, but sheltered himself behind the record; he found them in force, and although they might be founded in fraud, he could not revoke their authority; but he pledged himself that the wrong should not be repeated, and that the next election should be a fair one. But in all his conduct, in the conduct of all the officials responsible to him, were plainly seen the evidences of *a disposition to Slavery*.

THE OTHER SIDE.

From the Mobile (Ala.) Register.

Gov. WALKER went to Kansas as its chief executive officer after a convention had been called in strict compliance with all the forms of law to frame a constitution for the future State. In his first official act, the delivery of an inaugural address, he abandoned the neutrality which his station should have imposed, presented arguments to convince the people of Kansas *that slavery was unsuited to the soil and climate of the Territory, enlarged upon the advantages which would result from making it a Free State*, and to secure the success of his arguments, invaded the prerogatives of the constitutional convention by declaring that *their action must be submitted to the people for* ratification before it could receive the sanction of Congress, and crowned his treachery by prescribing who were the "people" entitled to vote upon the ratification. On a subsequent occasion he went so far as to threaten the Convention with his opposition and that of the President, if the "*recommendations*" he made were not adopted, and told them with the confidence of prophecy that Congress would reject the application for admission as a State. For this whole line of policy pursued by the Territorial functionary we can discover an adequate and obvious motive. We can see ample reasons why *he should desire to monopolize the glory of making Kansas a Free State*, independent of any instructions or inducements from the present Administration, although we shall hereafter discuss this matter at large. Strange as it may seem to humble, unimaginative men, the ex-Secretary of the Treasury and Governor of Kansas looks to the Presidency of the United states, and his every movement has been guided by this aspiration. DOUGLAS had already forestalled him in popular favor at the South, and he could hope for nothing from this source; but *should he succeed in settling the Kansas* question, in healing the strife which had grown out of it, and *in securing its admission as a Free State*, who would have equal claims with him upon the support of the Northern wing of the Democratic Party? He reasoned plausibly, *if not profoundly, in supposing* that they would forgive a slight deviation from abstract doctrine for the great practical good he had accomplished by it.

Gov. Walker in Kansas—Action of the People

From the Lecompton Democrat.

LECOMPTON, K. T., Saturday, Oct. 31, 1857.

Agreeably to a call for a meeting, made through the columns of the *National Democrat*, the people from *different portions* of the Territory assembled at Lecompton to-day, for the purpose of taking action in relation to a meeting styled a "Democratic" meeting, held at Lecompton on the 20th inst., in which resolutions were passed denunciatory of Gov. WALKER and Sec. STANTON, for their action in reference to the gigantic frauds attempted to be practised upon the ballot-box at the Oxford Precinct, in Johnson County.

Col. ELY MOORE, formerly of New-York City, was elected President.

Hon. Rush Elmore, of Alabama; Gen. Wm. Brindle, of Pennsylvania; R. B. Nelson, Esq., of Virginia; Hon. John Spicer, of New-York; Jas. Christian, of Illinois; R. C. Bishop, of Virginia; and A. W. Jones, of Virginia, were elected Vice-Presidents.

D. T. Mitchell, of Kentucky; Wm. Stevens, of Ohio; F. P. Bruner, of Pennsylvania; and John Shannon, of Ohio, were appointed Secretaries.

The Chair having explained the object of the meeting, it was, upon motion, resolved that a Committee of three, consisting of Gen. Findley Patterson, of Pennsylvania; Col. J. M. Coe, of Wisconsin; and Wm. P. Lamb, of Kentucky, be appointed; which Committee immediately retired, and, after an absence of some minutes, reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, A small party of men, not exceeding twenty-five in all, in a meeting held at this place, since the result of the late territorial election was known, have assumed to arrogate to themselves the power to pass and publish to the people of the United States a series of resolutions denunciatory of the course of policy pursued by Governor J. W. WALKER, Secretary and Treasurer of State, Secretary of the Territory of Kansas, relative to our late election, calculated to mislead and deceive the citizens of the United States; it is therefore just and proper, in vindication of the cause of truth, of the character of the citizens of this Territory, without any desire to impeach the cause of any political party, should such party regard their ...

...claim to unmistakable proofs to the people of the United States and the world their views and sentiments; therefore, be it

Resolved, That, mainly through the instrumentality of the same parties, the proclamation issued by Governor WALKER previous to the election, rightfully construing the laws prescribing the qualifications of a voter in Kansas, the people had secured to them the enjoyment of the elective franchise, and a peaceful solution of much of the difficulty that threatened to involve our country in general war.

Resolved, That we most heartily indorse the rejection, by Governor WALKER and Secretary STANTON, of the fraudulent and informal returns from Johnson and McGee Counties, in this Territory, by which means they have done their duty in establishing the purity of the ballot-box in Kansas, and furnished to an unmistakable evidence of the sincerity of their professions and promises to defend the rights of this Territory; and that we hereby pledge ourselves, in solid column, to stand by them in defence of the people's rights.

Resolved, That we hereby acknowledge our indebtedness to JAMES BUCHANAN, President of the United States, for the selection of a Governor and Secretary for Kansas, who have the capacity to understand, and the high moral courage necessary to defend, the rights of its citizens.

Resolved, That we call on Congress at the earliest possible moment to appoint a Committee of Investigation, with power to examine by whom and where the fictitious and fraudulent returns that purported to have come from precincts in Johnson and McGee Counties were made, that offenders may be brought to justice.

After the adoption of the above resolutions Hon. F. P. STANTON, who happened to be present, was loudly called for, and responded in a most eloquent, able, and unanswerable argument in defence of Gov. WALKER's exposition of the Tax law, and the action of the Governor and himself in relation to the fraudulent vote of the Oxford Precinct, and closed amid the plaudits of the multitude.

The meeting was occasionally enlivened by rich strains of music discoursed by the splendid brass band from the city of Lawrence.

The President, Col. MOORE, being then called for, gave and elaborated the toast in his most happy and inimitable style for a few moments, at the close of which the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

ELY MOORE, President.

D. T. MITCHELL, WM. STEVENS, F. P. BRUNER, JOHN SHANNON, Secretaries.

CLOSE OF THE CHESS CONGRESS—THE PRIZES AWARDED.—On Wednesday evening the prizes in the grand and minor tournays were awarded. The first prize in the grand tournay—a silver service of plate, worth $300, consisting of a pitcher, a salver, and four goblets, upon the second of which was an inscription, indicating that they were presented to "The Victor in the Grand Tournament at the First Congress of the American National Chess Association, New-York, 1857"—was carried off by PAUL MORPHY, of New-Orleans. LOUIS PAULSEN, of Dubuque, Iowa, THEODOR LICHTENHEIN, New-York, and Dr. S. J. RAPHAEL, of Kentucky, were declared the winners of the second, third and fourth prizes respectively. The names of the prize-bearers in the minor tourney are: First, W. HOUSE, Brooklyn; second, M. S. SOLOMONS, New-York; third, WILLIAM SHERACH, New-York; fourth, MARVIN MARSH, New-York. In the presentation of the first prize to Mr. MORPHY, appropriate speeches were made. A gold shield and eagle were presented to Mr. PAULSEN, as a token of admiration of the talents exhibited by him in the five games at chess which he played simultaneously, blindfold. At the close of these ceremonies, the Congress formally adjourned. Some of the minor prizes were awarded last evening.

Personal.

Last week Joel Schoonhoven, 100 years of age, was discharged from Sing Sing State Prison, having been pardoned by the Governor. He was committed for life for arson. He is a native of Orange County, and reached the age of a century in prison on the 4th of July last. He saw Washington at Newburgh during the war.

Frederick Douglass publishes a card in the Watertown *Journal*, expressing great indignation at the treatment he received in a certain hotel in that town. The proprietors refused to entertain him on account of his color.

Mr. Terrill, Provincial Secretary of Canada, has resigned his office, in consequence of a misunderstanding with his colleagues.

The Canadian admirers of Mr. Thomas D'Arcy McGee (now editor of the Montreal *New Era*) have presented him a substantial testimonial of regard, in the shape of a handsome writing desk containing a purse of $2,000.

Fires.

A fire at Hamilton, Can., on the 7th, breaking out in PEARY's stables, on Catharine-street, destroyed LAVERDAY's flour store, McKAY's saloon and other property to the amount of $10,000 over the insurance. Supposed to have been the work of an incendiary.

At Waterford, N. Y., on the 11th inst., the old Stewart Mill took fire from friction and was destroyed. Loss $19,000.

Henry P. Brooks, the opponent of Henry Winter Davis, for Congress in the late election in Maryland, has given notice of his intention to contest that gentleman's seat. The ground of contest is the alleged fact that the supporters of Brooks were prevented from voting for him by violence, while by fraud the vote of Mr. Davis was increased.

A small squad of armed men, claiming to be the champions of the poor, were arrested in Philadelphia on Friday, while parading the streets, disarmed and imprisoned. They were mostly young Irishmen.

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DUPUIGNAC—LEGUE.—In Williamsburgh, on Wednesday, Nov. 11, at St. Mark's Reformed Church, by Rev. Dr. Kalkoff, ANDREW J. DUPUIGNAC, of New-York, son of the late John Dupuignac, of New-York, and CAROLINE LEGUE, eld. dest. daughter of Maurice H. Legue, Esq., of Williamsburgh.

LEVINES—ALLEN.—On Wednesday, Nov. 11, by Rev. Dr. Morgan, NOAH C. LEVINES, M. D., to LOUISA L., daughter of J. W. Allen.

DIED.

SLACK.—In Brooklyn, on Wednesday, Nov. 11, THOMAS SLACK, Sr., aged 80 years.

Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, this day, (Friday,) at 2 o'clock P. M., from his late residence, No. 80 East Warren-st., Brooklyn.

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BOGERT.—At Tompkinsville, Staten Island, on Wednesday, Nov. 11, ANN BOGERT, daughter of Wm. T. and Sarah Jane Bogert, aged 2 years and 8 months.

The relatives and friends of the family are requested to attend the funeral, this (Friday) afternoon, at 3 o'clock, at Tompkinsville.

HAVILAND.—At Purchase, on Thursday, Nov. 12, ANN C., wife of John Haviland, in the 61st year of her age.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, on 7th day, (Saturday,) at 11 o'clock A. M., at Friends' Meeting-house, Purchase. Carriages will meet the 7:32 A. M. train from New-York at Rye Station, New-Haven Railroad.

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$3,000 Milwaukee City 7 per cent. Bonds of 1877.
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LARGE SALE OF RICH AND COSTLY FURNITURE.—This Evening, elegant carved piano-forte, by Chickering, rosewood case, seven octaves, unstrung; the property of Charles S. Livingston, Esq., removed for convenience of sale; also, the entire fashionable English French furniture, etc., of the late residence, Hughes' French boarding-house, No. 11 MORROW (Saturday) at the residence No. 114 Bleecker-st., the entire costly furniture, &c., of the house, including the rich carved French bedsteads, mattresses, etc., of the best quality, which will be sold without reserve, amounting to put up, the entire costly furniture, &c., without regard to cost or value, to the highest bidder. Catalogues of the sale, containing expert

NEW-YORK CITY.

[illegible] large and highly intelligent audience [illegible] Mercantile Library to hear a lecture [illegible] J. Sidney Wainwright, on the "Sea [illegible] of Antiquity." The subject itself was full [illegible] that it was delivered [illegible] "Revised Testamental Fund" rendered [illegible] effective. Nearly two-thirds of the [illegible] on the receipts of the lecture [illegible] appropriated to the use of the wife and [illegible] of him who behaved so nobly and gallantly [illegible] and children of others, their presence in [illegible] was at once appropriate and [illegible]

[illegible] his subject by a reference to the [illegible] which that not successfully [illegible] the Viking and [illegible] and England, the United States [illegible] frequently with the letter [illegible] that in surveying a [illegible] all the pride and beauty, an [illegible] was natural. Did she [illegible] like Minerva from the [illegible] the thoughts of long still re[illegible]

[illegible] of the sea was attributable to the great [illegible] instinctively attributed to it an [illegible] mental or moral [illegible] seemed to have been the first [illegible] It could hardly be an [illegible] to have existed, for centuries, without [illegible] the sense of [illegible] We have evidence in Scripture [illegible] the Flood, that were [illegible] in many of its [illegible] and [illegible] Egypt, they which had constructed [illegible] should have attained [illegible] A Phoenician author [illegible] the origin of [illegible] that during a tempest of a very [illegible] the sailors, fearing the Flood, had [illegible] together that they took fire, and [illegible] the tempest was [illegible] to take a hollow trunk [illegible] it on the water. Another account [illegible] in the first man who [illegible] with half human [illegible] A long time afterwards, [illegible] a period ship, which there [illegible] believing meant the Ark. [illegible] that the Ark was built so [illegible] of science previously understood, [illegible] man, and not by God. It was [illegible] of wood from the Isle of Cy[illegible] a distance of 74 miles.

[illegible] and interesting description of Noah's [illegible] he said, was altogether unlike the barge [illegible] which was represented in pictures and [illegible] Mr. Wainwright proceeded to the [illegible] the Chinese for further information of the [illegible] and the ship of antiquity. Those people claimed, [illegible] oldest writings, to have had ships 300 years [illegible] Flood. These were managed with oars, [illegible] Chinese ships are at present. The Chinese [illegible] to have used the compass long before it [illegible] in Europe. The art of ship-building [illegible] brought it was of great antiquity. [illegible] of the Fifth Century, representing a [illegible] ships were represented as having [illegible] "heads" on the fore-heads. From the [illegible] were taken. [illegible] had a knowledge of charts and maps. [illegible] engraved on pillars of stone, on which were [illegible] all the known countries, and the tracks for [illegible] On the schiskil of Achilles, was a map of the [illegible] the heavens, and the ocean. We can trace [illegible] of the lighthouse, or *Pharos* to a very early [illegible] erected by Ptolemy was considered one [illegible] of the world. Its light could be seen [illegible] The first *Pharos* were not only lighthouses [illegible] but the sites of the priests [illegible] They recognized shipwrecked mariners [illegible] their fate,—the origin of the fable of the [illegible]

[illegible] the geography of the ancients, [illegible] expedition, the "Ultima Thule" of [illegible] the fact that Britain was not [illegible] as Island till it was circumnavigated in [illegible] Mr. Wainwright passed to his [illegible] the sailor. Sailors were always a superstitious [illegible] Among the ancients the commanders [illegible] also to have been great warriors. The [illegible] of the sailor of antiquity, like [illegible] day, was all superstition. It [illegible] have old many of these superstitions [illegible] of years before the Christian era, [illegible] believed, just as he does to-day, that whistling [illegible] the wind, and that there [illegible] is a calm, but had to do so [illegible] Among the Scandinavians, the day [illegible] their goddess *Fria*, answering to our Friday, [illegible] considered a day improper for the commencement of any voyage. The ancient sailors always [illegible] offerings to the gods before setting sail. [illegible] in his Argonautics, gives direction for [illegible] drops of wine from the vessel, to insure a safe [illegible]

[illegible] in his Tweeds, gives but a poor account [illegible] He seems to have had a mean opinion [illegible] Another ancient writer shows us that [illegible]

"The sailor's life a happy life,
[illegible] he finds a wife."

[illegible] also in the olden time.

[illegible] his lecture Mr. Wainwright said he [illegible] to his feelings and those of his [illegible] If he passed by in silence the object of [illegible] He would not presume to speak in the [illegible] Jacob. He would merely lay a [illegible] grave, though to that grave no one could [illegible] No flowers of earth could bloom [illegible] the olive might entwine and cluster [illegible] The lecturer drew a glowing picture [illegible] of the Pacific America, and concluded [illegible] there were men and women so no[illegible] that they were lost from out of nationalities, and be[illegible] not to this country or that, but had niches [illegible] for their world-wide fame—such as Washington, [illegible] Florence Nightingale, and many oth[illegible] [illegible] in a new niche, not for America only, [illegible] all the world to honor the name of William [illegible]

The lecture was loudly applauded at its close.

Sea and Ship News.

Twenty-one Deaths at Sea.—The Hamburg [illegible] Hamburg, Captain Meyer, from Hamburg Oct. [illegible] with 375 passengers, and consigned to L. E. Ar[illegible] of her passengers and the chief mate on [illegible] The disease of which they died is not [illegible] but probably it was cholera. Scarcely a [illegible] vessel now arrives here that has not lost [illegible] of her passengers. Some persons acquainted with the facts refer this great mortality to the character of the river water which is put on board of these ships. The mortality generally occurs [illegible] the commencement of the passage, as it did in this [illegible] The emigrants are first experiencing the [illegible] of sea sickness. Unclean arrangements contribute to this sickness [illegible] This is the ship which brought here [illegible] and crew of the ship *Mermaid*, burned at [illegible]

[illegible] *Mermaid*, struck by lightning, and [illegible] on the 24 of November, was an A 1 [illegible] built in Newbury, Mass., [illegible] and was owned by W. Balch, bro[illegible] She was, with her cargo, insur[illegible]

The ship *Kossuth*, lost on Manatilla Reef Oct. [illegible] was a noble vessel, built in St. John, N. B., in [illegible] from Liverpool. She was com[illegible] Barnes, and cleared from New-York for New-Orleans Nov. 1, in ballast.

The Hamburg Warden has received a telegram [illegible] New-Orleans, dated Nov. 2, announcing that [illegible] and *J. W. Parsons*, of and from [illegible] on the North Breaker, entered [illegible] on the 7th, and bilged; the [illegible] and materials, and is full of [illegible] *J. W. Parsons* cut away forecast, and [illegible] feet of water in her hold.

Arrangements are in progress for raising the ship *Robert Thompson*, which was scuttled and sunk [illegible] in East River, to prevent her from burning. [illegible] passengers are on board, and will be [illegible] to-day, if the underwriter's [illegible] engaged upon her, can succeed [illegible] in stopping the river-ports, which are seven feet [illegible] water. Her masts are standing. A large [illegible] of the "unemployed" were present yesterday [illegible] the progress of the work.

The clipper-ship *Webster*, 1,000 tons register, [illegible] taken on the large Sectional Dock [illegible] she will be stripped, examined and [illegible]

It is reported that the steamship *Adriatic* is to [illegible] that they this forenoon upon a brief trial trip.

Hamburg ship *Gutenberg*, Meyers, Hamburg Oct. 1, with mdse. and 275 passengers to L. E. Ar[illegible] had 21 deaths on the passage, including the chief mate.

Steamer [illegible]